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Bill Weidner

## Hamm, Weidner square off

### Mayoral candidates lead full slates in Madison

 By Bob Slate  
 Staff writer

Two full slates of candidates are vying for political power in Madison April 1.

The New Progressive Party, headed by current City Clerk and mayoral candidate Bill Weidner, and the Positive Leadership Party, led by 3rd Ward Alderman and mayoral candidate John Hamm III, are seeking to have their candidates elected to the positions

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of mayor, city clerk and four aldermen.

Hamm and Weidner are seeking to replace Mayor John Belcoff, who is retiring this year after 50 years of public service to the community.

WEIDNER, 41, of the 1600 block of Third Street, is a

security manager at McDonnell Douglas Aerospace. A lifelong area resident, he is a former city police officer and has served as city clerk for 12 years.

Weidner holds a bachelor's degree in human resources and government from Southern Illinois University. He and his wife, City Comptroller Jeanne Weidner, have one adult daughter.

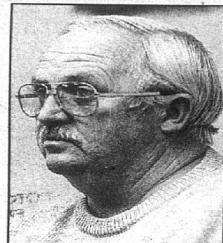
He is a member of the United Presbyterian Church, Triple

Lodge 835, Scottish Rite and Anad Temple Shriners.

Weidner said fiscal responsibility, accountability, city growth, the city attorney position and fully researching projects prior to implementation are key issues.

He said the incumbent aldermen seeking re-election have made some bad investments. The city is still owed \$61,000 by the developer of the proposed Metro East Energy

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John Hamm

## Goforth receives 25 years

EDWARDSVILLE — Ronald E. Goforth, a Granite City man who skipped town during his drug trial in December, was still at large when he was sentenced Friday to 25 years in prison with a \$10,000 fine.

The prosecution in the case had asked for a 30-year sentence and a fine of \$500,000.

Goforth's attorney's sought 15 years and a fine of \$10,000. The maximum sentence for the offense is 60 years. Goforth, 49, last was seen just after testifying in Madison County Circuit Court on Dec. 6. The court had recessed for lunch, and the jury was to begin deliberations following the break.

Goforth failed to return to the courtroom after the recess and hasn't been seen since. In his absence, Goforth was found guilty of possessing 2.5

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**Prayer breakfast** — Ed Hightower, notable NCAA basketball referee and school superintendent in Edwardsville, introduces himself as the keynote speaker for the Rotary Club's annual Area Mayor's Prayer Breakfast. Seated with him at the head table, to his left, are Rosemarie Brown; Roy Boyer, pastor of Harvest Assembly; and Granite City Mayor Ron Selph. (Staff photo by JOHN FRESE)

See more photos on Page 3A.

## Two seek clerk's seat in Madison

 By Bob Slate  
 Staff writer

A former alderman and the current school board president will square off in Madison April 1 to determine a new city clerk.

Current City Clerk Bill Weidner is a candidate for mayor.

George, 48, of the 1600 block of Sixth Street, and Sharon K. Cass, 41, of the 1200 block by Alton Avenue, are seeking the clerk's post.

George is a supervisor of building maintenance at Union Electric Co. in St. Louis and a former 1st Ward alderman. He is a member of the New Progressive Party, headed by Weidner.

Cass is a purchasing manager for the Special School District in St. Louis and is currently president of the Madison School Board. She is a member of the Positive Leadership Party led by John Hamm.

George is a lifelong area resident. He and his wife Mary



George Cass

More election news, see Page 4A.

## 10 women to be honored

Ten outstanding St. Louis-area women will be honored at the 1997 Women of Achievement luncheon May 14 at the Ritz-Carlton-St. Louis in Clayton.

This year's honorees will be announced April 2. Reservations for the luncheon, which are \$25 each, may be made by sending a check to: Women of Achievement, Suburban Journals, 1714 Deer Tracks Trail, St. Louis, Mo., 63131. The deadline for making reservations is May 5.

Seating will be at tables of 10. For those wishing to sit together, reservations and payment for the group should be made at the same time. Those attending the luncheon in honor of a particular Woman of Achievement should indicate the name of the honoree when making a reservation.

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John Fuller, Meteorologist, KSDK NewsChannel 5



Comet Hale-Bopp remains visible into May. However, the comet is peaking now in the Northwest sky around 7:30 p.m. and into the Northeast sky around 5 a.m. This celestial phenomenon will not be visible again for about 2500 years...it is a once in a lifetime event.

## Local kid did 'the right thing'

### Granite youth helps care for his autistic brother

 By Michelle Duell  
 Staff writer

Ten-year-old Joey Becherer of Granite City never thought he would win awards for helping his mother care for his autistic brother, but he did.

The Wilson School fifth-grader won awards and money from KMOX Radio, KMOV-TV, McDonald's, the St. Louis Post-Dispatch, the St. Louis Metropolitan Police Department and the St. Louis County Police Department, which are the sponsors of a program that once a month rewards children who "do the right thing."

The "Do the Right Thing" sponsors chose Joey after his teacher, Jane Franko, nominated him in a letter that described his achievements.

Joey received a \$30 gift certificate to Home Video, a U.S. Savings Bond, a free meal at

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 (Staff photo by JOHN FRESE)  
 Joseph Becherer, front, with his brother Bryan and mother Sally.


## Flood-damaged cars are a risk

Vehicles damaged by recent flooding throughout Illinois and along the Ohio River could be making their way to your local car dealership, state officials warned Wednesday.

By exercising caution, however, consumers can avoid being snookered into buying a flood-damaged vehicle.

"Buyers need to beware of unscrupulous dealers trying to unload flood-damaged vehicles," Illinois Secretary of State George Ryan said in a prepared statement. "When picking out a car, make sure you go to a reputable dealer."

Two area car dealers said recently that many customers have questioned them about flood-damaged vehicles.

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# NEWS

## Sound Off

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### Basketball broadcasts

I just want to call and congratulate WIBV for their local basketball high school coverage this past season. I was glad to see WIBV get back into local coverage. The guys that did the basketball were very good. The announcers did a fine job. The schools were well represented, and I just wanted to let people know that I appreciate WIBV and their local coverage and I hope they keep it up.

### Unfair election coverage?

I just received my Wednesday (March 19) edition of the O'Fallon Journal and I got looking at it, the election coverage. I think it's kind of unfair. You only list one candidate, and that's the current candidate, in the lower part of the paper highlighted as "Change highlights city clerk's race."

You talk about the two city clerks but you completely leave the picture of Dick Glogowski out. It's kind of interesting that Schildknecht's picture is first, no picture of Dick and his information is buried. You do show, in the center of the page, (township supervisor candidates) Vetri, Behnken and Monken.

If you're going to list this kind of information you should certainly give equal opportunity for pictures for all candidates. Don't bury one just to make sure the other one gets his picture in the paper.

### Here comes da judge

I'm calling to comment on the article in the Granite City Journal on Wednesday the 19th about the possible creation in Madison of a housing court.

I think that would be great for Granite City. There are a lot of derelict homes in Granite City that are in need of repair, completion or just painting, and our city officials don't seem to worry about how our city looks.

I think this would be a very good thing for Granite. I would serve on it if I could.

### Control your cats

I'd like to complain about people who let their cats run free. They stalk my bird feeding stations.

### Taxed to death

Something is terribly wrong when the small little home in Millstadt you bought years ago is taxed now according to the \$100,000 homes that went up in your area.

This is financially destroying us, for the small little home you knew you could afford is now becoming unaffordable to live in because of the property taxes. Nowadays, \$5 is considered a senior citizen, but you can't get a tax break until you're 65.

### Hot over smoking

Make sure that all tobacco is off the market forever in the name of every non-smoker there is, because I just don't like the way it tastes! And besides, I don't smoke.

### The punch line

Our current city treasurer (in Granite City) would help her cause if she would publicly announce that she is downsizing her staff.

The treasurer's office is no longer required to collect property taxes since the bank provides that service. Trash bills are mailed to Waste Management. The punch line: The treasurer's office staff still maintains two employees to collect the sewer bills only.

### Wild in the streets

I am so pleased to hear that an incident involving kids in the streets happened in Cahokia to provoke the office reporting it.

I complain about kids out my window at the untended children in the street right now. One, why doesn't the village publish all the ordinances and mail them out to those of us that do care, and also, why doesn't the village involve the school do care, and also, why doesn't the village involve the school district into verbally telling these kids about the rules. Not just putting them in the newspaper or sending notes home, because most of these kids have complete idiots for parents, and they don't even bother picking up the papers from their yards.

Hopefully when these people get a hefty fine they will care what and where their kids are doing. I am tired of having to watch kids that I have absolutely nothing to do with just to make sure their filthy little selves don't destroy my property.

## Letter to the editor

### Cruse endorses Melton

TO THE EDITOR:

The people of Granite City have played an important part in my life. You have given me the opportunity to serve you as alderman, assessor and mayor.

This totals 37 plus years of my life. Most of my adult life has been spent in local government. This has been a rewarding and challenging experience. I have an obligation to the people of this community for their faith and trust in me through the years. This made it difficult for me to retire in 1963, not because I was giving up the mayor's office, but because I was leaving an opportunity to continue to serve those who had rewarded me with their confidence all those years. But my health at the time dictated that I step aside.

I believe now is the time for reaffirmation of faith and purpose for this community and the vision of new leadership for Granite City.

Government sets the tempo of a town. The mayor sets the tempo for government. Since government is the only agency that represents all the people, quality leadership in City Hall must be our town's first concern. We need leadership that is proven. We need leadership that can attract others to contribute.

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tribute their talents and energy to overcoming community obstacles.

I believe Dewey Melton to be such a leader. I have known Dewey for 25 years as a friend, political supporter and member of my administration. I have always found Dewey to be bright, articulate and honorable. I heartily encourage all those who have trusted and supported me over the years to give Dewey this same support. I have always found Dewey to be back to the right track. Granite City needs Dewey Melton to be mayor.

VON DEE CRUSE  
Granite City

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## Letters to the editor

### Selph a proven leader

TO THE EDITOR:

The election for Mayor of Granite City is less than two weeks away. And we as a community are going to be making a very important choice.

What is that choice? The choice will be one of two things. One, do we make a change in our leadership and replace it with an unknown leader and possibly take a step back as a community or two, do we hold the course with the current excellent leadership of Mayor Ron Selph and continue to take huge strides forward as a city and community partner?

Clearly the choice is to continue the progress that we have made with Mayor Ron Selph, the proven quality leader that we deserve as a city. Ron is someone we know and can count on for his hard work ethic and love of our city. Mayor Ron Selph is right for Granite City for the next four years and many more beyond. I urge everyone to get out and vote on Tuesday, April 1. It is not only a very precious right but also a duty of being a good citizen.

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TO THE EDITOR:

### Policy on election letters

With local elections approaching, we welcome letters from our readers expressing their views on election issues. However, please keep in mind our policy on election-related letters:

• Thursday's Press-Record will be the last issue to include election letters. Sunday's Journal will run only direct responses to stories or letters in the paper.

• We will not publish personal attacks on any person, whether or not he or she is a candidate.

• From now until the election, we will not accept letters from candidates.

• We will not run letters that are repetitive of letters that already have been published. If we receive several letters on the same subject, we will run one or two representative letters.

Recently Mayor Selph made some comments regarding the re-opening of American Steel. Either he does not know what he is talking about or he is trying to mislead the public about his participation in this issue.

He stated American Steel agreed to take applications for employment at the plant, when, in fact, the Madison County Employment & Training Dept. and American Steel agreed that the local office of the Madison County Employment & Training would take and screen all applicants.

He also stated that by taking applications at American Steel, it would avoid local applicants having to go to the Unemployment Office in Edwardsville.

At that time the Unemployment Office in Granite City was still open, so that was not a factor in making it easier for local people to apply.

It seems that the Mayor is implying that he played a very major role in the re-opening of American Steel and also in the industrial development that has been occurring over the past several years.

When, in fact, it was a good deal of joint cooperation from our good aldermen, city administration, local Chamber of Commerce, County and State governments, and other organizations that brought about all the industrial developments in our local area. And the same will hold true for all future developments.

I, for one, feel that the good

citizens of Granite City are not that naive to think or believe that one individual or administration could be possible for the development or expansion of this kind of business progress within our city.

It has always been in the past, still is today, and must continue to be in the future, a combined, concentrated effort of a number of individuals, administrations, organizations and governments to ensure of the continued expansion and development.

I feel that the Mayor has done very little to improve the image of our city. Just the opposite has occurred. By allowing our bond rating to fall so low, we cannot even issue bonds for future improvements at this time.

The lack of concern for improving our real estate image does not seem to bother the Mayor.

Just recently officials from both Pontoon Beach and Edwardsville contacted the developer of the proposed warehousing and light industri-

al district that is to be called "Gateway Commerce Center" about annexing into those two areas. Where were our representatives???

Large industrial developments are important for a city's growth, but so is the small business and real estate development for housing.

Without local housing, an individual working in our city will take his paycheck and go spend it where he lives.

To me this just does not make sense that we are not providing this type of housing development.

I truly hope that our next mayor will be willing to consider sitting down with the local Chamber of Commerce, Board of Realtors and any other organizations or persons to try to eliminate the exodus from our city.

DON YOUNG

Granite City

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## New judge

### Former Wood River lawyer gets associate judgeship

EDWARDSVILLE — Former Wood River lawyer and judge Randy Bono will be back in black Monday when he begins his new role on the associate bench.

Bono, 45, received the judicial nod Thursday after a runoff election with lawyer Ralph Mendelsohn of Godfrey. Bono, who has homes in Florida and Bethalto, could not be reached for comment.

Bono was among 13 candidates who applied for the post in February after the Illinois Supreme Court granted permission to create a new associate judgeship for the Third Circuit, which includes Madison and Bond counties. Bono will join 10 other associate judges.

The circuit's nine judges vote by secret ballot for the associate judge; a candidate had to receive five votes to win. A second ballot was needed two weeks ago after the first round failed to produce a winner. Bono and Mendelsohn received the most votes in the first round, but neither received a majority.

Mendelsohn could not be reached for comment Thursday. He had said earlier that he was honored to be in the

run-off. In a news release issued by the office of Chief Judge Nicholas Byron, Bono said he was pleased with the appointment and was expected to take his oath of office and begin his duties Monday.

Byron was in Chicago Thursday and couldn't be reached. Bono's specific assignment hasn't been announced.

The Illinois Supreme Court appointed Bono to a vacant circuit judgeship in November 1995 after George Filcoff of Granite City retired. Bono's appointment expired in

November 1996, and he was replaced by J. Lawrence Keshner of Godfrey, who ran unchallenged for the circuit seat in the general election.

Bono retired from his Wood River law practice in January 1994 and moved to Florida with his family. He is a graduate of Roxana High School and received his law degree from the University of Louisville in 1976.

Bono's Wood River office was one of the first in the area to begin handling asbestos cases and has handled hundreds of them successfully throughout the country.

— From The Telegraph



(Staff photos by JOHN FRESI)

**Soul food** — Above, guests at the head table at the recent Mayor's Prayer Breakfast bow for the invocation. Pictured are Neidringhaus United Methodist Church Pastor Bruce Rushing, Granite City Police Officer Mike Sparks, Rotary President Chip King, keynote speaker Ed Hightower, Harvest Assembly Pastor Roy Boyer, Leo Kanzen and Rosemarie Brown. At right, Sparks gives a testimonial on how letting God into his life changed it for the better.



## Coroner's jury rules two fatalities accidental

A South Carolina man was returning from an evening at church when he was killed in a collision at the intersection of Illinois Routes 3 and 143 earlier this month.

A Madison County coroner's jury ruled the death of Larry D. Fielding, 48, an accident during an inquest Wednesday. Fielding was a traveling pipefitter and had been assigned a job in Wood River. He was on his way to a motel in Alton

when he was killed at 11:45 p.m. March 2.

Also ruled accidental was the death of James "Jay" Oller, 39, of Godfrey. Oller was killed about 1:10 p.m. Feb. 26 when the car he was driving was hit head-on by a car that went out of control on rain-slick Illinois Route 111, about a half-mile north of Interstate 55-70.

Authorities said weather was to blame for the accident. Both

Oller and the other driver tested negative for alcohol in their systems.

Authorities said Fielding was traveling north on Route 3 when his 1976 Ford was hit on the driver's side and forced down an embankment by a 1997 Dodge pickup driven by Robert Shewmake, 26, of Wood River.

Illinois State Police trooper Ralph Timmins testified at the inquest that Shewmake hit Fielding's car after Shewmake apparently ran through a red light while traveling east on Route 143.

Shewmake, who was ticketed for driving under the influence, was thrown from his truck on impact. He remains in the intensive care unit at St. Louis University Hospital Wednesday in serious condition.

"Neither vehicle braked," said Timmins, an accident reconstructionist. "The speed limit for both drivers was 55 mph. At this point I do not

know how fast they were traveling."

Timmins said Shewmake's blood alcohol level registered at .315, more than three times the legal limit of intoxication. Fielding had neither alcohol nor drugs in his system. He died of head, neck and chest trauma.

"The impact was so great that the license plate of the pickup truck was embedded into the wheel of the Ford," Timmins said. "Shewmake was thrown through the windshield of his truck, and he slid about 150 feet on the pavement before his head struck a curb."

Fielding was not thrown from his car, which also caught fire but was quickly extinguished.

Timmins said the crash is under investigation. He said he has not interviewed Shewmake and was referred to his attorney for questioning. "Additional charges are pending, depending on Shewmake's chances of survival,"

he said.

Timmins said he discovered through interviews that Fielding was killed after dropping a friend off in Granite City.

"(Fielding) had been bugging this guy to go to church with him," he said. "The guy, who was also a pipefitter, agreed. Fielding picked him up in Granite City and they both went to a church in Godfrey."

Fielding drove his friend back to Granite City where they both ate dinner.

"He was killed on his way back to Alton after dropping off his friend," Timmins said. He also discovered through interviews that Shewmake had been to several taverns before the accident.

Also ruled by the coroner's jury as accidents Wednesday were the deaths of Ray Disera Jr., 39, of Arkansas, who was killed in a collision on Interstate 55 just south of Hama.

Authorities said Disera, who died about 2:30 a.m. March 2, was heading north to Joliet when his car was reportedly rear-ended by a Springfield man and forced off the road.

The driver of the other car, Lee R. Iseringhausen, 40, was ticketed for driving under the influence. Illinois State Police are investigating the crash and said additional charges may be filed.

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## Ward 3

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Rocks Bridge, Gateway Golf Course, new City Hall and police station, new firefighting equipment and street department equipment as past accomplishments and future developments he sees as important.

"I am not afraid to ask questions nor afraid to make tough decisions," Vrabec said. "I am

able to get my thoughts and ideas across in a fair and diplomatic way and have been able to work with the present and past members of the City Council.

"The future of our city is upon us. Positive change and progress are happening — but change and progress take time. I feel I can continue to offer direction and vision for

the betterment of the city. I hope for the opportunity to continue to work with our present aldermen and alderwomen for the continued positive change and progress into the year 200. Working together with the local communities must continue."

Hackett-Orr, 55, resides in the 1600 block of Fourth Street with her husband Dale. She is a lifelong area resident and has been a school teacher for 30 years.

She attended Madison public schools, Illinois State University, Southern Illinois University at Edwardsville and the University of Illinois.

She is a member of the United Presbyterian Church, Madison Junior Service Club, and the Madison Minerva Reading Club.

She said her experience as a teacher, negotiator, budget preparer and fiscal planner make her qualified for the office.

"I will work to establish fiscal responsibility, restore a positive image to our city and revitalize the business district," Hackett-Orr said.

## ELECTION NEWS

### Newcomers running in 4th Ward

#### ELECTION ★★★★★'97

By Bob Slate  
Staff writer

Two newcomers are vying for the 4th Ward aldermanic seat in Madison.

Beulah Williams, a member of the New Progressive Party, and Kelvin Gardner, a member of the Positive Leadership Party, are seeking the aldermanic position currently held by Harvey Haynes, who is not seeking re-election.

Williams, 73, lives in the 800 block of Franklin Street. She is a retired employee of the Madison County Jail and former teacher's aide at Madison High School.

She is a lifelong area resident, a member of Bethel AME Church, Madison Democratic Women's Club, Eastern Star, Elks and Concerned Citizens of West Madison.

She is a Venice Township precinct committeeman.



Kelvin Gardner



Beulah Williams

She said her experience in community projects and with the school district and judicial system are her qualifications.

"I want to make Madison a better and safer community for our young and elderly. I want to improve conditions," she said.

Gardner, 45, resides in the 1500 block of Second Street. He and his wife Roselle have seven children.

A laborer at Spectralite Con-

sortium in Madison and an assistant building inspector, Gardner is a lifelong area resident.

He is a graduate of Madison High School, with two years of college course work. He is a member of Mt. Nebo Baptist Church.

A Vietnam veteran, Gardner said he intends to improve all aspects of the city including housing and additional commercial development.

"As assistant building inspector, I know of the problems with some of the housing in our city," Gardner said. "I am also a homeowner, therefore I am concerned with keeping the city stable in order to protect my investment."

He said he would work toward the completion of the Gateway International Raceway and Chicago's Rockwell Bridge renovations as well as continued annexations.

#### Church to hold fellowship dinner

The 22nd Annual Homecoming Fellowship Dinner of the Church of God in Christ Congregational, 918 Bond, will be held on Friday, April 4, 1997, at 6:30 p.m. at the Ramada Inn in Fairview Heights. Dinner will be served at 7:30 p.m.

The theme for this year is "Delight Yourself in the Lord." Our guest speaker will be Sister Gerene Dennis of Edwardsville. Our guest soloist will be the well-known Sister Garnelle Hubbard Spearman of St. Louis.

Our tickets are \$20 each. We are inviting all of our churches, other co-workers and friends to come out and share with us in what promises to be an evening of Spiritual Inspiration.

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Services were held Tuesday, March 25, at Thomas Chapel, 2205 Pontoon Road, Granite City, with the Rev. Bill Owen officiating. Burial was at Glen Carbon City Cemetery.

**Floyd Tucker**

A black and white portrait of a man with glasses, wearing a suit and tie. He is smiling slightly. The image is positioned at the top left of the page.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Floyd C. Sr. and Louise Tucker.

Services were held Monday, March 24, at Holy Family Catholic Church, 26th and Washington, with the Rev. Tom Wise officiating. Burial was at Jefferson Barracks National Cemetery in St. Louis.

**Meta Bruns**

Services were held Monday,

**Walter Morgan**

1126, Lions Club of Pontoon

Morgan, both of Granite City, and Mary Belle Children of Godfrey; three sons, Gerald Ray Morgan of Springfield, Gerald Lee Morgan of Mitchell and Kevin Scott of Perryville, Mo.; his mother, Mildred (Cramer) Smith of Las Vegas, Nev.; one sister, Volla Knowles of Las Vegas, Nev.; two brothers, Gerald Morgan of Stockton, Calif., and Dennis Knowles of California; his stepmother, Ruth Morgan of Maryland Heights, Mo.; and 10 grandchildren.

(See OBITUARIES, Page 8A)

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Everyone has picked up one of those white puffballs and blew at it, at least when we were kids. That starts everything into motion. There go the seeds. But don't blame the kids. If they don't blow them away the wind will

But we can control the ones that end up in our yards. Lawn weed controls are classified into two categories: Pre-Emergent and Post-Emergent. It's not as complicated as it may seem. "Pre" and "post" are self-explanatory; the pre-emergent controls work on weeds before they sprout; the post-emergents are used afterwards.

Most weeds are either annual or perennial. Annuals only bother you for one year and that's it. Of course, another annual weed seed can be blown into your territory and start the whole process over again. Different plants last longer, but who cares? Perennial weeds, on the other hand, come back to haunt you every

The dandelion is a good example of a perennial weed. The root remains

alive and sends up new growth in spring, and the weed seeds reside in the ground.

Unfortunately, much of this year's dandelion crop probably was formed last year. And there definitely are ways to deal with them in fall; we'll get into that at the appropriate time. But for now, if you see an ugly yellow bloom or two pop up this spring, get 'em with a post-emergent weed killer, such as Frank's Weed & Feed. It not only kills the weeds, but feeds your lawn as well.

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Another great way to control weeds in flower beds is with a mulch. This makes conditions downright miserable for weeds, blocking off sunlight. A weed or two may still pop up through the mulch, but it's better than an army of 'em.

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**Linda Harris**  
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Linda has been owner of Linda's Gallery for six years, attending framing school in 1991 with Gemini Moulding Co., Palatine, IL. In March 1996 she relocated her business to 2775 Madison Ave. giving more space to increase merchandise and productivity. She enjoys her work with the many artists in the area, plus her loyal customer base which continually includes more referrals. In her spare time she enjoys music, exercise, and quiet times at their lake property. She credits much of her success to her supportive family and friends.

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**Neva Lucas**  
Real Estate Broker



Neva Lucas, of Landmark Realty has been in Real Estate for almost 20 years. She is active in her church, Word of Life Tabernacle, Christmas in April & the Granite City Board of Realtors. She is presently secretary-treasurer of the Granite City Board. She was selected as Granite City Realtor of the Year in 1989. She is married and has 2 grown children & 2 grand children. Neva is on the Zoning Board at Pontoon Beach. She welcomes calls from friends & clients at any time.



**Rosalie Stern**  
Real Estate Broker  
**Landmark**  
Realty, Inc.

Rosalie Stern has been in the Real Estate business since 1982. She is a lifetime resident of the Tri Cities area.

Rosalie has been a member of the Granite City Business and Professional Women since 1979. She served as President of the local organization in 1980 and 1987. She has been a member of the Tri Cities Area Chamber of Commerce Women's Division since 1979 and was President in 1982. She is a member of St. Mary's Roman Catholic Church in Madison.

Prior to her career as an officer of the Granite City Board of Realtors for 6 years. She was selected "REALTOR OF THE YEAR" in 1995.



**Janet Partney**  
Real Estate Broker  
**Landmark**  
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Janet Partney has been in the Real Estate Business since 1987. She has been active in Chamber of Commerce Christmas in April & Granite City Board of Realtors. She has been a director since 1993. She was elected Granite City Realtor of the Year in 1992. She is married and has 3 grown children & 1 grandchild. She welcomes calls from her friends & clients at any time.



**Agnes M. Gitcho Freeman**  
Owner  
**Busy Bee Bakery**

Agnes M. Gitcho Freeman has been in the baking industry since she was 9 years old. She owns and operates Busy Bee Bakery in Madison. Agnes loves to decorate cakes for all occasions, designs and decorates wedding cakes. She expressed that her success is due to her personal involvement with her customers. Agnes is proud to serve the community with her fine pastries — and Busy Bee Bakery will be celebrating their 50th Anniversary in August.



**Lisa Fanning**  
Granite City, IL

An education is one of the most important goals we can ever set for ourselves, and it is one of those goals that it never too late to attain, no matter what your age is. I went back to College to get my education when I was in my mid-thirties, after my son was in school all day. My major was in Sociology with a concentration in Labor Relations. I have now worked for Local 67 of the United Steelworkers of America for over five (5) years. My job, which I truly enjoy, has afforded me opportunities that I may have not otherwise been given. I am a Past President of the Granite City Business and Professional Women and have served on many State Committees for BPW. I am currently the Community Services Chairman for Local 67, and am very active on the Local's Political Action Committee. I serve on the Tri-Cities Area United Way Board of Directors and am active with the Granite City Centennial celebration. Education and involvement is the key to success. These are the two elements that get us to where we want to be in the end.



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<b>Sandy Anderson</b>	Licensed Cosmetologist	1965
	Aloha Beauty Salon	1967
	Home	1976
	Instructors License	1986
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## Obituaries

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He was preceded in death by his father, Walter Glenn Morgan.

Services are scheduled for 11 a.m. today, Wednesday, at St. Elizabeth Catholic Church, 2301 Pontoon Road, with the Rev. Francis Tebunaga officiating. Burial will be at Calvary Cemetery in Edwardsville.

Memorials are suggested to St. Elizabeth Catholic Church or Hospice of Southern Illinois. Arrangements were handled by Werner Chapel, 3939 Lake Drive, Pontoon Beach.

### William Dagon

William R. Dagon, 71, of Pontoon Beach died at 6:10 p.m. Wednesday, March 19, 1997, at his residence following a one-year illness. He was born March 20, 1925, in Hillsboro and had been a Pontoon Beach

resident for 33 years.

Mr. Dagon retired in 1988 from Local 120 Painters Union District Council 58 after 40 years as a painter. He was a member of Calvary Baptist Church; past three-year president of the Pontoon Beach Senior Citizens Center; and former member of the Litchfield Volunteer Fire Department.

Survivors include his wife, Ruth E. (Lahr) Dagon, whom he married Sept. 12, 1964; four sons, George William Dagon of Granite City, James Lee Dagon of Litchfield, and Dennis R. and Jeff E. Morris, both of Granite City; one daughter, Kathy R. Renner of Belleville; two sisters,



Mary Bishop of Litchfield and Viola Beddingfield of Virginia; and 11 grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Frank Dagon and Lena Elizabeth (Howard) Schalk; three brothers and one sister.

Services were held Saturday, March 22, at Werner Chapel for

Funerals, 3939 Lake Drive, Pontoon Beach, with the Rev. Fred Boatright officiating. Burial was at Elm Lawn Memorial Park in Litchfield.

### Darrell Moore

Darrell Lee Moore, 70, of Edwardsville died at 3:59 p.m. Friday, March 21, 1997, at Anderson Hospital in Maryville. He was born June 13, 1926, in Coffeen.

Mr. Moore, a World War II U.S. Navy veteran, retired from General Steel Castings in Granite City after 25 years of ser-

vice; and worked for 10 years each at American Steel in Granite City and Ford Plant in Hazelwood, Mo. He was a member of Plymouth Owners Club, Laker's Club and the Wolf Pack Antique Car Club.

Survivors include his wife, Pauline (Barnhart) Moore, whom he married Jan. 21, 1946, in Granite City; two sons, Darrell Glenn "Butch" Moore of Glen Carbon and Jeffrey Lynn Moore of Marine; three daughters, Karlye Holshouser, Linda Joyce Kovarik and Deborah Sue Koehler, all of Edwardsville; one brother, Myron Glenn Moore of Springfield; two sisters, Velma Wygal of Hillsboro and LaVonne York of Overland Park, Kan.; 10 grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Orville and Fairy (Blackburn) Moore.

Services were held Tuesday, March 25, at Werner Funeral Home, 304 N. Main, Edwardsville, with the Rev. John Wrench officiating. Burial was at Buck Road Cemetery in Collinsville Township.

Memorials are suggested to the American Heart Association.

### Marie Barboza

Marie G. (Valdez) Barboza, 78, of Glen Carbon died at 6:50 a.m. Friday, March 21, 1997, at Eden Village Care Center in Glen Carbon. She was born Sept. 26, 1918, in St. Louis.

Mrs. Barboza attended Holy Rosary Catholic Church in Fairmont City.

Survivors include two daughters, Josie Drummond of Collinsville and Mary Louise Perez of Live Oak, Texas; three sons, Robert and Bernabe "Barney" Barboza, both of Fairmont City and Daniel Barboza of Belleville; one brother, Roy Valdez of Fairmont City; 14 grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by her husband, Bernabe Barboza, whom she married in January 1944 and who died Dec. 25, 1965; her parents, Espridion and Marianna (Barrera) Valdez; four brothers, Cecil, Jessie, Bill and Ernesto Valdez; and one sister, Pauline Ramirez.

Visitation will be from 4 - 8 p.m. Sunday, March 23, at Herbert A. Kasky Funeral Home Ltd., 115 Vandall, Collinsville. There will be a Rosary service at 7 p.m. Sunday. The funeral procession is scheduled to leave at 12:15 p.m. Monday, March 24, for a 10 a.m. Mass of Christian Burial at Blessed Sacrament Church, 8707 W. Main, Belleville, with the Rev. Marvin Volk officiating. Burial will be at Mt. Carmel Cemetery in Belleville.

Memorials are suggested to Masses.

### R. Hayes Sr.

Rayburn Hayes Sr., 53, of East St. Louis died Thursday, March 20, 1997, in the emergency room at St. Mary's Hospital in East St. Louis. He was born in St. Louis.

Mr. Hayes retired in 1996 from Ford Motor Company after 30 years as a welder. A drummer since the age of 13, he played with the Big Clara and Magnum Tones bands and formed his own band.

Survivors include eight sons, Rayburn Hayes Jr. of St. Louis, Mark T. Hayes, Kennard and Danny M. McDonald, Rayburn McGee and Edward, Kevin and Melvin Johnson all of East St. Louis; three daughters, Yolanda Howard of Madison, Latoya Crosby of East St. Louis and Sheila McDonald of St. Louis; one sister, Brenda H. Thomas of East St. Louis; and 12 grandchildren.

Services are scheduled for 12 noon today, Wednesday, March 26, at Nash Funeral Home, 144 N. 16th, East St. Louis, with the Rev. Obie Rush officiating. Burial will be at Sunset Gardens of Memory Cemetery in Millstadt.

### Park district slates egg hunt

The Granite City Park District will sponsor an Easter Egg Hunt on Saturday, March 29, for children preschool age through first grade.

The hunt will be held at Sykes field in Wilson Park near 29th and State streets. In case of inclement weather, the event will be held in the Wilson Park Ice Rink.

Prizes will be awarded in each age group and the Easter Bunny will make an appearance. Each child must bring his or her own container for found eggs. Listed below are the times your children should be at the ball diamond. Please do not report until a few minutes before the scheduled time.

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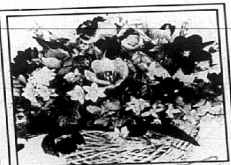
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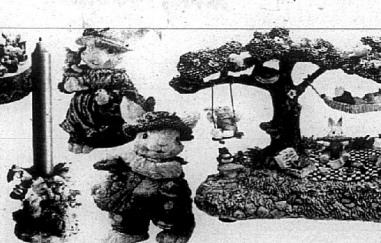
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## Letters

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### Vote for Madison incumbents

TO THE EDITOR:  
I am a lifelong resident of Madison and have been attending the council meetings for sometime now and would like to comment that for the first time in many years we have a

council that are working and voting together for the betterment and future of the city.

For too long the city has been at a standstill, but with the right people in office the city can be cleaned up and prosper again.

In April, vote for the council member who is a candidate for mayor, with his knowledge and leadership the city can move

forward, also re-elect the council members who are up for re-election. They are doing a good job.

MARTHA MANCE  
Granite City

### Kudos on

#### wrestling tournament

TO THE EDITOR:

Recently, I had the pleasure of attending the Illinois High School Association Sectional Wrestling Tournament held at Granite City High School. I was extremely impressed with what I saw.

First, it was rewarding to see so many fine athletes competing and having fun. Far too often we see the negative side of young people and forget about the many fine, outstanding young people in our community. This tournament accentuated the fact that the good outweighs the bad.

Second, I was very impressed with the organization of the tournament. A tip of the hat to Jerry McKechnan, athletic director, and Bob Cowan, assistant athletic director, on a job well done. Both of these men spent many hours planning and working the tournament. Those who

attended were greeted by courteous ticket takers, ushers and floor workers. The gym looked beautiful with its freshly painted red, black and white walls. Everything was first class, like it ought to be. Their hard work paid off in a well-run, efficient tourney. The tournament cast a positive reflection on the school district and community. It was a great day for everyone.

When you see Mr. McKechnan or Mr. Cowan, please thank them for their hard work. If you missed the tournament, plan to attend next year. It is a great event, and one that warrants your attendance.

HARRY A. BRIGGS  
Regional Superintendent of Schools

### Early spying not cruel

TO THE EDITOR:

Julia Bell's recent letter regarding to early spying/neutering as an inhumane act unfortunately is very untrue. First of all, if spaying and neutering pups and kittens at young ages hurt or hindered their growth and development, why would veterinarians all over the globe be performing these same surgeries? Second,

comparing animal growth and development is like comparing apples to oranges. Young pups and kittens recover faster from surgery with no ill effects on their mentality or physical growth.

Ms. Bell states the suggested age for spaying and neutering is 6 to 8 months of age. Female cats and dogs can start having heat cycles and do get pregnant at 5 months of age. If everyone waited until their pet was 6 months or older to be altered, the only result would be more unwanted pets being born. Last year over 750,000 unwanted cats and dogs were destroyed in Illinois alone. That number does not include the unknown amount of animals that were abandoned and left to starve to death, or those who died of disease, were killed by traffic or those who were murdered by abusive humans.

The Granite City Association for the Protection of Animals, also, proudly and regularly alters young pups and kittens as early as 6 to 7 weeks. Ninety percent of the surgeries on all of our shelter animals, young and old, is done before the pet ever leaves our facility with a new family.

Unfortunately, not every pet owner sees to having their pet altered soon enough, and our shelters are flooded with unwanted babies as the result. The sole function of the sex hormones produced by sexually mature cats and dogs to roam, fight, mark territory and to seek out mates. Heat cycles (PMS) are extremely stressful for female pets and their owners. Sex hormones do not have a thing to do with the animal's personality or the pet's ability to grow into a healthy "normal" adult.

Plus, altering cats and dogs before sexual maturity will

prevent many health problems, such as prostate and breast cancer, and eliminate most behavioral problems (spaying, aggressiveness, and yes, mood swings).

If Ms. Bell still opposes MCBS and the APA's early spay/neuter policies, perhaps she would care to visit the APA's shelter so she can personally compare so-called healthy "normal" adults to other adults who were altered at very early ages. I bet she couldn't tell the difference if "Xavier" and "Midias" both bit her on the rump!

KATHY BEYER  
Public Relations Director  
Granite City APA  
Seniors should back Selph

TO THE EDITOR:

This concerns the senior citizens at the Anchorage apartments.

Please go and vote if you can, and vote for our Mayor Selph. We know what he has done, can do and will do for us old folks! The others are all promises.

And also vote for Bob Shibley for supervisor. He will maintain our township bus services. We sure need those buses. I, for one, depend on it; the drivers are courteous and very thoughtful of us all. Where else can you get such good service free of charge? God bless them all.

ROSE SCHMITT  
Granite City

## Easter egg hunt slated

The Pontoon Beach Lions Club II will sponsor an Easter egg hunt Saturday, March 29, at the Long Lake Fire Department on Pontoon Road.

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The Childbirth Refresher Class is designed to give experienced parents updated information about the latest trends in labor, delivery and newborn care. Limited to those who will deliver at Memorial, this class is held from 7 to 9 p.m. on the first Monday of the month. \$5 per couple fee. For more information, call 257-5855.

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This class addresses questions about vaginal births after cesarean (VBAC) and why VBAC's can be safer than repeat cesarean deliveries for both mother and baby. You also will learn how to maximize your chances of having a vaginal birth. Class meets 7-9 p.m. on the fourth Tuesday of the month. It is free to those attending Prepared Childbirth or Refresher Classes (we strongly recommend attending these as well) or \$5 fee per couple if not taking these classes. Call 257-5855 to register.

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## NEWS

## •Mayor

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Facility, and we spent several hundred dollars on the proposed annexation of East Madison," Weidner said. "We are currently in a lawsuit with Madison County over the Chouteau Township annexations."

He said that the current council has spent several thousand dollars on special committee meetings at \$25 per meeting.

He also said the incumbents are not representing the interest of the whole city.

"They seem more interested in making decisions based on limited communication with residents," Weidner said.

"The East Madison annexation was a good example," he said. "The aldermen stated that the residents wanted to annex into Madison, but when a public hearing was held not a person in attendance from East Madison said they had been contacted."

While the city should continue to develop the tax increment finance district near Gateway International Raceway, other projects also need attention, according to Weidner.

"The infrastructure of the rest of the city is in disrepair," he said. "We need to concentrate on fixing the streets, sidewalks, alleys and sewers. We must expedite the condemnation process for derelict buildings."

Weidner said City Attorney Casper Nighossian should be replaced.

"He sets policy for the city of Madison and then we are stuck with his recommendations," Weidner said.

He also said very little research is done on projects prior to implementation.

"Many times projects are

adopted based upon what another city has done," Weidner said. "The city of Madison needs to conduct research and make sure that we get the right fit for our city."

"I am appalled at the fact that my opponent voted for waiving at the time more than \$14,000 in delinquent trash bills for one business owner and then a few weeks later made an elderly lady pay an entire trash bill of \$288," Weidner said.

He said he will work toward the development of a medical, dental and pharmaceutical complex in the city.

"I will work toward restoring a positive image of our town," Weidner said.

Hamm, 50, resides in the 1700 block of Fourth Street with his wife, Carol. They have five children.

Hamm is an operator at Shell Oil Co.'s Wood River Refinery and owner of Hamm's Landscaping and Asphalt. He has previously worked at Mobil Oil in East St. Louis and Buffalo, N.Y. He has lived in the area for the past 24 years.

Hamm graduated from Cahokia High School and attended Texas A&M University Fire School. He is a member of St. Mary's Parish in Madison, AMVETS, Veterans of Foreign Wars, American Legion, Madison Democrats United, Italian American Club, Neighborhood Watch, and a former member of Madison Sports Booster Club.

He has served as an alderman for the past 10 years, and served 11 years on the Madison School Board, eight as president.

Hamm said continued growth and development, a mayor that will "take charge and assume the responsibilities",

and continued reduction of city taxes are key issues in the election.

"I want to continue the progress that has started at the southern boundaries of our city by adding a golf course, malls and other commercial activities," Hamm said. "I will continue doing creative projects to preserve city assets and bring national attention to the city, such as turning the Chain of Rocks Bridge into the longest pedestrian/bicycle pathway, thereby getting over \$3.5 million of bridge rehabilitation at no cost to the city."

Hamm said he will make City Hall and its employees community-friendly and personally responsible and accountable.

"I will be available day to day with a hands-on approach to make decisions and make sure they are executed by department heads and city employees," Hamm said.

He said he would continue to increase city revenue by

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"being creative" and "finding new sources," thus helping to reduce the city's tax rate.

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between \$1.35 and \$1.75 per \$100 of assessed valuation, this year, a savings of \$90 to \$130 per \$1,000 of assessed valuation," Hamm said.

Hamm said his experience as a business owner, school board president, an alderman, chairman of several commit-

tees and liaison between Gateway International Raceway and the city and between Gateway Trailnet and the city make him well qualified for the position of mayor.

"Talk is cheap," Hamm said. "Suggested solutions are easy."

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## •Goforth

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kilos of cocaine with intent to distribute.

On Friday, Circuit Judge J. Lawrence Keshner brushed aside comments from Goforth's attorney, Morgan Scroggins.

"Truly, an evil sale was involved here, and it is just a filthy, dirty business," Keshner said.

Scroggins argued that a police search of Goforth's home in June 1993 had been

conducted improperly, that there was no proof of intent to distribute and that Goforth's trial wasn't speedy.

But Assistant State's Attorney Keith Jensen noted that Goforth's cocaine was discovered in his home wrapped in marble-sized cellophane packages, along with drug paraphernalia.

"This was not an amount of cocaine for recreational use," Jensen said.

The prosecutor added that

Goforth's absence should be considered "indicative of his attitude that he would supply drugs, and as soon as the law caught up with him, he would be gone."

However, because the incident occurred before the new truth-in-sentencing laws took effect, only 50 percent of the sentence may be served, Jensen said.

Jensen said he was pleased with the sentence.

Keshner already had revoked Goforth's bond of \$75,000.

Goforth had denied knowing about the suitcase in which the cocaine was found in his house.

But he later admitted that he couldn't say it wasn't there.

— From The Telegraph

## •Clerk

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the board of directors of St. Mary's Credit Union.

He said his experience as an alderman, familiarity with computers and reporting make him qualified.

He said accountability to Madison residents is a key issue in the election.

"I want to help lead Madison into a strong fiscal community," George said.

Cass is also a lifelong area resident. She holds an associate's degree from Belleville Area College and is a certified purchasing buyer through the National Institute of Governmental Purchasing.

Cass is a member of AMVETS Post 20 auxiliary, American Legion Post 160 auxiliary, Croatian Fraternal Lodge 222, the Illinois School Board Association, and serves

as the Madison School District's representative to the Special Education Region 1 board. She is a former Venice Township Trustee.

She said continued reduction of taxes, property improvements, and annexation and expansion in order to increase revenue are key issues.

"My educational background, community involvement and work experience are assets I believe the city can utilize to the fullest," Cass said.

"I have lived in Madison for over eight years and have been actively involved in my community. I believe the city is making positive improvements and will continue its endeavors into the future. I have seen many positive changes happening in the city and I hope to be a part of more changes to come."

## •Kid

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McDonald's; and a certificate of merit and two award pins from the police departments.

In addition, his name was announced last week on KMOX for his achievement and he received his certificate of merit from news reporter and anchor Robyn Williams of KMOV-TV.

"I help my mom with Brian, my brother that's autistic," Joey said, explaining the reason he was honored with so many awards. "I help him brush his teeth, bathe and get ready for school. And I ask my mom what he has to bring (to school) and get it for him."

Joey also plays with Brian, he said, and reads to him and helps him pronounce words correctly.

He has this, he said, because "I love him. He's my brother."

In addition to helping his mother with his brother, Joey earns high grades in school.

His name is on the school

honor roll and he is a student in the school's Ideal Laboratory, a class for gifted children.

He also has hobbies. "I play baseball, soccer and football, ride my bike, skate and play in the back yard," Joey said.

It's not difficult to help with Brian, he said, "because he can say my name, he plays with my other friends downstairs and outside — and everything."

Joey also said that he and Brian have pets: a dog, a guinea pig, a black and white mouse, three finches and a tarantula.

"I might get a water dragon — that's a lizard," Joey added.

"And I want a millipede."

Autism is a psychological disorder that causes daydreaming, hallucinations and a lack of attention external reality.

Joey and Brian are the sons of Sally and Mark Becherer of Granite City.

## •Flood

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South State in Alton, sells Ford and Mercury vehicles. Salesman Jeff Heitzig said customers have seen news reports about 2,016 Ford Explorers, Mercury Mountaineers and Ford Ranger pickup trucks that were flooded on a lot in Louisville, Ky.

Ford Motor Co. since has announced that vehicles will be scrapped, rather than

sold at cost or auctioned.

"We are not selling any flood-damaged vehicles here," Heitzig said. "They are easy to spot, but we haven't seen any."

In Edwardsville, officials with the Cassens & Sons Inc. dealership, which sells Chrysler and Dodge vehicles, also said they have strict standards that govern vehicle acquisitions.

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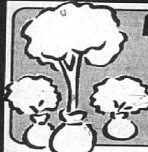
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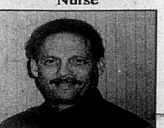
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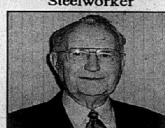
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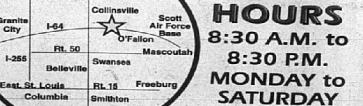
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## Madison Dunbar, Mounds Douglass lead postseason of change

This is the third part in a four-part series about basketball helping racial integration in southern Illinois.

The first inklings of a real change occurred in 1942 — when the IHSA allowed the Southern Illinois Conference of Colored Schools to play their championship game at Champaign early Thursday morning, prior to the start of Sweet Sixteen action. (Before 1956 the state finals were a three day affair with eight games on Thursday.)

In 1942, the winners of Southern Illinois' two colored district tournaments, Carbondale Attucks and Cairo Sumner,

## Boys basketball

met at Champaign's Huff Gym for their championship game. John C. Clark's Attucks squad defeated Sumner 30-28 in the first and most exciting of all the Colored Conference championships.

Changes made prior to the 1943 playoffs guaranteed the next three title games would feature one team from the deep south and a second from the Metro East.

In 1943, Carbondale Attucks advanced from the Cairo Sumner sectional and met the winner of the East St. Louis Lincoln sectional, Madison

Partial integration finally arrived in 1946 as the IHSA allowed black schools in the deep south and the Metro East to play in their own district tournaments with the winners advancing to a regional as close as a host-school would accept them.

Dunbar. Attucks won their second straight title, tipping Dunbar 53-41. The combination of Attucks' previous championship game experience and a first-quarter ankle injury to Turner, Dunbar's tall center,

made shots that bordered on miraculous.

Madison Dunbar returned to the championship contest in 1944, this time meeting newcomer Mounds Douglass. Dunbar grabbed a 9-4 first quarter advantage, but a 19-point outburst by Douglass in the second quarter put the deep South squad up 23-20. Gene Cross, one of the premier players in the state, scored eight of the 19 Douglass points in the quarter.

Dunbar stayed within striking distance until late in the game but eventually fell short, 49-34.

In 1945, Douglass and Dunbar again met for the Colored Conference title. It marked

Dunbar's third straight appearance at Champaign. This year's game was held on Friday, between the two quarterfinal sessions of the IHSA state tournament. Once again, Douglass fell behind in the first quarter but fought back to claim a slim 18-17 half-time margin.

But Len Tucker and Bobby Harris, who both poured in 15 points, led a second half surge that buried Dunbar. Mounds Douglass claimed their second straight title, and fourth in a row for the deep south, by 44-29 count. Marvin Winkler, with 13 points, was high scorer for Dunbar.

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## Kickers blank Aquinas in opener

Lady Warriors dominate on way to 4-0 win

By Patrick C. Heston  
Staff writer

It's hard to start a soccer season any better than the Granite City girls soccer team did Monday night. Using a relentless offensive attack and aggressive defensive pressure, GCHS completely dominated visiting Aquinas-Mercy on its way to an impressive 4-0 victory.

The Lady Warriors' offense peppered the net with 19 shots on goal and took eight corner kicks on the night. At the same time, The GCHS defense held Aquinas-Mercy without a corner kick and to only four shots on goal, with two of those coming in the last five minutes.

Michelle Montgomery, who had four crisp shots on goal, got the offense going when she took a pass from Roxy Simpson at 52:30 and fired the ball into the box. It bounced once and then scooped past a diving goalkeeper, putting GCHS ahead 1-0.

Simpson also assisted on the second goal, just 88 seconds later, feeding Ismahen Mohsen inside the box. Mohsen, still on the run, stopped the ball and quickly kicked it through from eight yards out, making the score 2-0.

It was more than seven min-

'This was a good start to the season. These girls will be hard to beat.'

— Virgil Kirksey  
GCHS assistant

utes before the Lady Warriors put another shot on goal, but when they did, they scored. Jennifer Willman rifled through an unassisted goal at 40:58, weaving past a pair of defenders and striking from 18 feet.

Granite City led at the break 3-0.

The second half of the match was marked by a series of calls for the Lady Warriors.

At 52:30, Simpson sent a ball across the front of the goal, where Mohsen just missed heading it in. At 53:30, Jaime Dellbringe wheeled on a waist high ball from 14 yards out and nailed it solidly, only to have the Aquinas-Mercy goalkeeper make the save of the night. At 58:02, Felicia Mohsen crossed one through the box from right to left, but a sliding Erika Todd couldn't quite get

her foot on it. Todd finally struck paydirt at 91:29, taking a textbook crossing pass from Dellbringe and nailing the upper left corner.

"It felt great," said Todd, a freshman, of her first varsity score. "I was confident going into the game. I wanted to score a goal in my first varsity game and I did. The pass from Jaime was perfect. I never even had to break stride."

Dellbringe, who demonstrated an impressive field presence and soccer savvy and was the vocal leader of the team, passed the ball with amazing accuracy. Twice she sent crosses through the box that just missed being headed in. In addition, she was strong defensively, slowing the Aquinas-Mercy attack and making a pair of clutch open field tackles.

"Dellbringe is simply a great player," said assistant coach Virgil Kirksey, coaching in place of Gene Baker. "There's not an element of the game she does not do extremely well."

But Kirksey had praise for other Lady Warriors as well. "Michelle Montgomery had an exceptional game," he said. "So did Christal Timmons and (See KICKERS, Page 3B)



Patrick Heston

## Hectic IHSA hoops schedule biggest threat to Rams' title

Since 1988, only four different schools have won the Illinois Class AA boys state basketball championship.

Maywood Proviso East has won it twice, Chicago King and East St. Louis Lincoln three times each, and Peoria Manual four times. The Rams added their fourth consecutive large school title, and fifth roundball title overall, with a 47-43 win over Aurora West on Saturday night.

In addition to state records for consecutive and total championships, Manual set three additional marks: four consecutive title game appearances and 32 consecutive postseason victories are both IHSA state records.

East St. Louis Lincoln had held the record with three titles in a row and 30 straight postseason wins. Manual also gained their fifth visit to the title game in their last five visits to state.

The Rams (31-1) tied at least three more records with their sixth title game visit, their fourth trophy in four years and their 12th trophy overall. Coach Wayne McClain also tied records, held by Lincoln's Bennie Lewis, with his third straight title game appearance and third straight state title.

Manual had to win successive games against nationally ranked opponents just to reach the title game. They nudged Chicago Whitney Young, ranked third in the state and 19th in the nation, 81-46 on Friday night. And just more than 12 hours later, they side-stepped Harvey Thornton 65-62.

Thornton was rated second in both the state and the nation. It marked the first time in Illinois history that the two nationally top ranked teams met in the state tournament.

The Rams had little left, either physically or emotionally, after taking on Thornton in the semifinals. The game had been anticipated since Manual beat Thornton for the 1996 title. As a result, the rarely escaped Aurora West, a significantly inferior squad.

Two changes need to be made immediately by the IHSA for the state basketball finals. Semifinals and finals need to be played on separate days. And the final sixteen squads — or at the very least, the eight finalists — need to be seeded. It was ridiculous to

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(Staff photo by JOHN FRESE)

Ismahen Mohsen carries the ball downfield.

## Well-armed: Hurlers will keep Warriors competitive in SWC

## Baseball

Our conference, year in and year out, is one of the toughest in the entire area.

— Daren DePew  
GCHS assistant coach

By Patrick C. Heston  
Staff writer

The Granite City Warriors boys varsity baseball team opens the 1996-97 season Thursday, March 27, at home against always-tough Mt. Vernon. The first pitch is scheduled for 1 p.m.

This year's team is a good mix of varsity experience and incoming youth and features a strong-armed, solid pitching staff. "Pitching will be our strength," said GCHS assistant coach Daren DePew. "We bring back some quality, experienced pitchers, and we add some young kids with strong arms. We're expecting our pitching to carry us this season."

The ace of the staff is senior southpaw Mike Ahlvers, but



Mike Ahlvers

the Warriors are able to send nine pitchers to the mound each game. Dustin Brewer, John Kelly, Jason Dix, Craig Murphy, Chris Siala and Paul Kacera round out the strong rotation.

Jeff Hayden, who started behind the plate as a sophomore, gets the nod again this campaign.

Ryan Belleke is a sure bet at first base as is Scott Smalley at second. Brewer can also be expected to play some first base when he is not on the mound.

The Warriors will be missing last year's starting shortstop,



Dustin Brewer

Kyle Briggs, who had recent knee surgery, will be out for the season. His presence with the glove and bat, as well his team leadership, will be sorely missed. Eric Edwards will step in at short and attempt to fill the huge hole created by Briggs' absence.

With no returning starter at third base, the position will be filled from a contest between Brian Kamulski, Greg Winfield and Vince Wittenburg.

There's a contest in the field as well. "The outfield is wide open," said DePew. Brewer, Ahlvers and possibly Dix will be in the field when

they are not pitching, while Kacera, Kelly, Mikal Guffey, Tim Wallace and David Parker are fighting for starting positions. Parker, a returning starter, has the inside track.

DePew is looking forward to the season and to conference action in particular.

"Our toughest opponents each year are the teams in our own conference," he said. "That's taking nothing away from the other teams we face. It's just to say that our conference, year in and year out, is one of the toughest in the entire area. Every year we throw our best pitchers against



Eric Edwards

conference opponents, and they throw their best against us. These are the games that really count.

"When you face the likes of Belleville East and West, Collinsville and Edwardsville, you are going against some incredible competition. Usually, what it comes down to each year is that if you can take two games from a couple of teams and split with everyone else, you can win this conference."

Conference action for Granite City begins on Thursday, April 3, as the Warriors host Collinsville at 4:15 p.m.

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**Bantam Baseball Tournament**  
The Chesterfield (Mo.) Community Association has added a 16-team Bantam I level to its Independence Day holiday baseball tournament to be held Thursday, July 3 through Sunday, July 6. This open tournament still has a few slots remaining at three other levels: Atom 2, Bantam II and Midget II. There is a three-game guarantee. Team entry fee is \$110. Call Mike Cremer (314-519-9830) or Joe Maas (314-458-8827) for further information.

**Sports Physicals**  
Pre-participatory sports physicals will be offered by the Granite City School District on May 21 and 22 at 6:30 p.m. at the West Building, Physical Medicine Department, 2100 Madison Avenue. The cost is \$25 and the physical is good for one calendar year and is accepted by the Illinois High School Association. Contact Saint Elizabeth Sports Medicine at 798-3943. All students that require any immunizations are exempt.

**Select team needs players**  
A Bantam I select baseball team is seeking players born after Aug. 1, 1986. The team will play in a select league and several tournaments. Tryouts will be held 5-7 p.m. Wednesday, March 26 at Maryville School. For more information, call Tom Nance at 797-2411.

**Khoury sign-ups**  
Pontoon Beach Khoury League sign-ups for baseball, softball and T-ball will be held 6-8 p.m. Mondays and Wednesdays at the Pontoon Beach Village Hall, 3910 Highway 111, and 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Saturdays at Tracy's Shirt Shop, 4084 Park Lane. For more information, call 831-1291 or 831-7922.

**Youth soccer league**  
The Gateway East Illinois Youth Soccer League will be accepting applications for the spring season for boys and girls teams U-10 to U-14. For information, call Tom Posnanski at 656-8884 or E-mail SOCER1941@AOL.COM.

**Park league sign-ups**  
The Granite City Park District is now taking registration for youth baseball, T-ball and ponytail softball this summer. The sign-ups are for boys and girls who would like to play in the 1997 summer park leagues but are not currently on a park district team or have never played in the park district leagues.

Anyone interested in coaching or managing a youth baseball, T-ball or ponytail softball team may visit the Wilson Park office or call recreation supervisor Ray Hoffman at 877-3059.

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The St. Elizabeth (Granite City) eighth grade basketball team ended the season 21-6, won the Alton Catholic League and finished as consolation champs at the Holy Family Invitational and runners-up in Edwardsville's St. Boniface Invitational. The team, coached by Mike Buettner and Keith Parker, outscored its opponents by an average of 20 points per game. Eight of the nine players were Honor Roll students.

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# Flooring them: New court ensures SIUC better digs

When Alton and Mount Vernon met for the Class AA boys basketball super-sectional championship March 18 at SIUC-Carbondale, history was in the making.

The game was the last major sporting event to be held on the SIUC Arena floor, which will be replaced as part of a \$7.3 million campaign designed to benefit Salukis athletics.

Approximately \$600,000 will go to the new floor, with \$30,000 of the current fund-raising program scheduled for lighting improvements and \$450,000 slated for seating improvements in the arena.

The new floor will replace the one that was put down 32 years ago when the building opened. Yes, it's the same one that seemed so spectacular at first

but in reality was a nemesis to the legs of any players — men or women.

Fortunately, SIUC administrators listened to the likes of former Pinckneyville High School star Shane Hawkins, who relayed what the likes of Walt Frazier knew 30 years ago when the Salukis bounced from Carbondale to a National Invitation Tournament title.

"The extra cushion of the new floor could help save our energy more than the old one," said Hawkins. "We were pretty tired at the end of the season."

Fact is, playing on the old floor was like playing on a concrete surface, and through the years the wood lost its bounce.



Art Voellinger

"Attendance during the season was a lot more than the numbers at SIUC men's games last season."

Average attendance at Salukis games in 1996-97 was the 30th worst in SIUC Arena history at 3,566, which also was No. 9 in the 10-team Missouri Valley Conference. Only Northern Iowa at 2,999 per game was worse than SIUC with Bradley leading at 9,729 per game. Only twice did the Salukis attract more than 4,000 fans for a home game.

"Attendance will increase because people will want to see the new floor," said SIUC sophomore center Terry Conrad from Rockton, who more intelligently added: "We need to capitalize on the attendance and maintain it with victories."

**OVERTIME:** Even with hometown heroes like forward Rashad Tucker and guard Troy Hudson from Carbondale High, the Salukis experienced a decline in season ticket sales and revenue.

In 1996-97, for instance, 3,359 season tickets generated

\$399,820. Last season, those numbers dropped to 2,544 and \$336,855.

Hudson will bypass his senior year in the hopes of playing in the National Basketball Association after leading NCAA Division I players in 3-point baskets per game at 4.46 per game. Worth noting were his statistics for his last six games at 28 percent from 3-point range and 35 percent from the field.

**EXTRA INNINGS:** Former Edwardsville High pitcher Jason Boyd was sent to the Philadelphia Phillies' minor league complex in Florida recently after giving up four hits, four runs and a home run in one inning of a major league exhibition game.

A 24-year-old righthander, Boyd went 11-8 with a 3.90 earned run average last season at Clearwater of the Florida State League.

**Granite City Park District**

Spikers	March 10	27-9
Third Chance	March 11	25-11
Ernie & Annie's	March 12	22-14
M.H.C.	March 13	19-17
Odd & Ends	March 14	8-28
Slam Masters' Not	March 15	7-29
Playoff Scores		
Spikers 15-15, M.H.C. 4-4		
Ernie & Annie's 15-15, Third Chance 8-11		
Spikers 8-15-15, Ernie & Annie's 15-9-7		

squad, Arthur L. Trout's Centralia Orphans. The Orphans would eventually finish second at state, losing to top ranked Champaign. But it, took a fourth-quarter rally for Centralia to edge Mounds Douglass 56-48 in a classic regional final.

Decatur which, like East, took it on the chin in the sectional finals from a team they had beaten twice over the year, the Springfield Senators.

Looking ahead to next year, Chicago Whitney Young and Lincoln should be the premier update squads in A.A. basketball. Belleville East, Edwardsville and Mt. Vernon should rule in the south. But, be watching for Granite City. The Warriors could be the area's surprise team for the 1997-98 campaign.

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## •Kickers

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Amanda Nizinski, Felicia Mohsen played well and Izzy (Mohsen) was a bundle of quickness and speed. Jennifer Willman came off the bench and scored. Carrie Simpson was super in goal, the first time she ever played there. And, of course Michelle Montgomery was a thorn in their side all night with her runs down the side of the field.

In addition to a quartet of

## •League

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Partial "integration" finally arrived in 1946 as the IHSA allowed black schools in the deep south and the Metro East to play in their own district tournaments with the winners advancing to a regional as

## •Pat

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have the state's top three teams in the same bracket at Peoria. The Thornton-Manual team was the runner-up.

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The accomplishments listed above do not include the repair of streets, sidewalks, alleys, removal of trees brush and leaves and the installation of street lights while saving \$35,000 per year on the city electric bill.

All the accomplishments in the Ward have been without new taxes. Freddie has returned all calls and when getting the job done required, he has personally met with city and state department heads. Freddie pledges to improve living conditions for all residents of Granite City, strive for a strong economy in government and work for the fair and adequate representation of the residents of the 4th Ward.

He has served as Alderman of the 4th Ward with service on the Finance Committee, Street and Alley Committee and Chairman of the Traffic and Light Committee.

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- **MIGRAINE HEADACHES**, Tuesday, April 8, 7 p.m. Community program will be presented by neurologist Stephen K. Burger, M.D. who will discuss symptoms, diagnosis, and current and future treatment of migraine headaches. A question and answer period will follow the presentation. To register for this free program, call extension 1575.

To register, call 234-2120 and the extensions shown above.

# Stats 'n stuff

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## Prep baseball

### BELLEVILLE EAST LANCERS 1997 Baseball

27 at Dupo	4 p.m.
29 East Moline (DH)	11 a.m.
31 at Weslin	4 p.m.

1 at Red Bud	4 p.m.
2 Highland	4:30 p.m.
3 at East St. Louis	4:15 p.m.
5 Quincy (DH)	11 a.m.
8 Collinsville	4:15 p.m.
10 at Belleville West	4:15 p.m.
12 at Mt. Vernon (DH)	11 a.m.
15 Alton	4:15 p.m.
17 at Granite City	4:15 p.m.
22 ESL Lincoln	4:15 p.m.
24 Edwardsville	4:15 p.m.
26 at Centralia (DH)	11 a.m.
28 at Althoff (DH)	4 p.m.

1 East St. Louis	4:15 p.m.
2 Cahokia (DH)	10 a.m.
3 at Collinsville	4:15 p.m.
8 Belleville West	4:15 p.m.
9 at O'Fallon (DH)	4:15 p.m.
12 at Alton	4:15 p.m.
13 Granite City	4:15 p.m.
15 at Lincoln	4:15 p.m.
17 Freeburg	10 a.m.
17 Triad	1 p.m.
20 at Edwardsville	4:15 p.m.
23 at Jerseyville (DH)	4 p.m.
27 Waterloo	4 p.m.

### BELLEVILLE WEST MAROONS 1997 Baseball

26 Red Bud	4:15 p.m.
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1 New Athens	4:15 p.m.
2 at Gibault	4:15 p.m.
3 at Alton	4:15 p.m.
7 O'Fallon	4:15 p.m.
8 at ESL Lincoln	4:15 p.m.
9 at DeSmet	4:15 p.m.
10 Belleville East	4:15 p.m.
11 Oakville (Mo.)	4:15 p.m.
15 Granite City	4:15 p.m.
17 at Collinsville	4:15 p.m.
18 Waterloo	4:15 p.m.
19 at Althoff (DH)	11 a.m.
22 at Edwardsville	4:15 p.m.
24 East St. Louis	4:15 p.m.
26 at Salem	11 a.m.

1 Alton	4:15 p.m.
2 SLUH	4:15 p.m.
3 at Carbondale (DH)	11 a.m.
6 ESL Lincoln	4:15 p.m.
8 at Belleville East	4:15 p.m.
10 at Centralia	11 a.m.
12 at Granite City	4:15 p.m.

### CAHOKIA COMANCHES 1997 Baseball

27 at Collinsville	4 p.m.
31 at Dupo	4 p.m.

2 at Roxana	4 p.m.
5 at Marion (DH)	11 a.m.
9 ESL Lincoln	4 p.m.
10 at Red Bud	4:30 p.m.
12 Highland	4 p.m.
14 Roxana	4 p.m.
18 at Granite City	4 p.m.
19 Mt. Vernon (DH)	10 a.m.
24 at Gibault	4:30 p.m.
28 at O'Fallon	4:15 p.m.
29 Centralia (DH)	4 p.m.

3 at Belleville East (DH)	10 a.m.
5 Freeburg	4:30 p.m.
7 at Lincoln	4:30 p.m.
8 at Althoff	4 p.m.
10 Carbondale	11 a.m.
15 O'Fallon	4:15 p.m.
17 Alton	10 a.m.
22 Triad	4:15 p.m.
23 at Edwardsville	4:15 p.m.
24 at Belleville West (DH)	10 a.m.

### COLLINSVILLE KAHOKS 1997 Baseball

25 Highland Park (DH)	11 a.m.
27 Cahokia	4 p.m.

1 at Alton Marquette	4 p.m.
3 at Granite City	4:15 p.m.
4 O'Fallon	4 p.m.
7 at Civic	4:15 p.m.
8 at Belleville East	4:15 p.m.
9 at Freeburg	4:15 p.m.
12 at Red Bud (DH)	11 a.m.
15 ESL Lincoln	4:15 p.m.
17 Belleville West	4:15 p.m.
19 Columbia (DH)	12 p.m.
24 East St. Louis	4:15 p.m.
24 Alton	4:15 p.m.

1 Granite City	4:15 p.m.
3 at Highland (DH)	11 a.m.
6 Belleville East	4:15 p.m.
8 at Edwardsville	4:15 p.m.
9 Centralia	4 p.m.

### 25-26 Springfield Tournament TBA

28 Freeburg	4:30 p.m.
29 Marissa	4:30 p.m.
30 at Breese Central	4:30 p.m.

1 Althoff	4 p.m.
3 at Livingston (DH)	10 a.m.
5 New Athens	4:30 p.m.
10 at Althoff	4:30 p.m.
13 at Valmeyer	4:30 p.m.
15 at Staunton	4:30 p.m.
16 at Collinsville	7 p.m.
17 Waterloo (DH)	11 a.m.

### COLUMBIA EAGLES 1997 Baseball

28 Beecher City	11 a.m.
29 Breese Mater Dei (DH)	10 a.m.

1 Kennedy	4 p.m.
5 at Staunton (DH)	12 p.m.
8 at Valmeyer	4 p.m.
10 Chester	4:30 p.m.
12 Monroe County Tournament	
14 at New Athens	4:30 p.m.
16 Dupo	4:30 p.m.
19 at Collinsville (DH)	12 p.m.
21 Waterloo	4:30 p.m.
23 at Marissa	4:30 p.m.
24 Triad	4:15 p.m.
26 Roxana	11 a.m.
30 at Lebanon	4:30 p.m.

1 at East St. Louis	4:30 p.m.
5 at Red Bud	4:30 p.m.
7 Freeburg	4:30 p.m.
8 Gibault	4:30 p.m.
12 Weslin	4:30 p.m.
13 at Steeleville	4:30 p.m.
15 Sparta	4:30 p.m.
16 at Breese Central	4:30 p.m.
17 at Highland	11 a.m.

### DUPO TIGERS 1997 Baseball

21 ESL Lincoln	4 p.m.
27 Belleville East	4:15 p.m.
31 Cahokia	4 p.m.

1 Valmeyer	4 p.m.
3 at Gibault (DH)	11 a.m.
5 at Coulterville (DH)	11 a.m.
7 at Principia	4:15 p.m.
8 M.E. Lutheran	4 p.m.
9 at Chester	4 p.m.
14 Carlyle	4:30 p.m.
15 Triad	4:30 p.m.
16 at Columbia	4:30 p.m.
18 at Brussels/Cahoon	4 p.m.
21 at Lebanon	4:30 p.m.
22 Alton Marquette	4:15 p.m.
23 Weslin	4:30 p.m.
24 at Red Bud	4:30 p.m.

### 25-26 Springfield Tournament TBA

28 Freeburg	4:30 p.m.
29 Marissa	4:30 p.m.
30 at Breese Central	4:30 p.m.

1 Althoff	4 p.m.
3 at Livingston (DH)	10 a.m.
5 New Athens	4:30 p.m.
10 at Althoff	4:30 p.m.
13 at Valmeyer	4:30 p.m.
15 at Staunton	4:30 p.m.
16 at Collinsville	7 p.m.
17 Waterloo (DH)	11 a.m.

### FREEBURG MIDGETS 1997 Baseball

28 at Coulterville	4 p.m.
29 at Nashville, Masscutah	10 a.m.

2 Edwardsville	4:15 p.m.
5 Wood River (DH)	11 a.m.
7 at Waterloo	4:30 p.m.
9 Collinsville	4:15 p.m.
10 at Althoff	4:30 p.m.
14 Weslin	4:30 p.m.
16 at Lebanon	4:30 p.m.
18 Marissa	4:30 p.m.
19 Greenville	11 a.m.
21 at Red Bud	4:30 p.m.
22 at Oakville	4:30 p.m.
25 Breese Central	4:30 p.m.
26 at Gibault (DH)	10 a.m.
28 at Dupo	4:30 p.m.
30 New Athens	4:30 p.m.

1 Steeleville	4:30 p.m.
5 at Cahokia	4:30 p.m.
7 at Columbia	4:40 p.m.
9 Carlyle	4:30 p.m.
10 at Staunton (DH)	11 a.m.
12 at Breese Mater Dei	4:30 p.m.
14 Belleville West	4:30 p.m.
16 at Sparta	4:30 p.m.
17 at Belleville East	4:30 p.m.
19 O'Fallon	4:15 p.m.

### GIBAUT HAWKS 1997 Baseball

25 at Sparta	4 p.m.
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1 Chester	4 p.m.
3 DuPont	4 p.m.
5 at Marissa (DH)	12 p.m.
7 Coulterville	4 p.m.
8 Lebanon	4 p.m.
9 Alton Marquette	4 p.m.
12 Monroe County Tournament	
TBA	

### 14 Vianney (DH)

14 Vianney (DH)	4 p.m.
16 Waterloo (DH)	4 p.m.
22 at Red Bud	4:30 p.m.
23 at Valmeyer	4:30 p.m.
24 Cahokia	4:30 p.m.
26 Freeburg (DH)	10 a.m.
30 Steeleville	4:30 p.m.

1 at New Athens	4:30 p.m.
3 at Wood River (DH)	10 a.m.
5 Alton (DH)	4:30 p.m.
7 at Breese Mater Dei	4:30 p.m.
8 at Columbia	4:30 p.m.
9 Valmeyer	4:30 p.m.
12 at M.E. Lutheran	4 p.m.
13 at Coulterville	4:30 p.m.
15 Althoff	4:30 p.m.
17 Weslin (DH)	11 a.m.

### GRANITE CITY WARRIORS 1997 Baseball

27 Mt. Vernon	1 p.m.
29 Washington (DH)	12 p.m.

2 at Wood River	4 p.m.
3 Collinsville	4:15 p.m.
4 at Waterloo	4 p.m.
5 New Athens (DH)	11 a.m.
7 CBC	4:30 p.m.
8 at Edwardsville	4:15 p.m.
10 at East St. Louis	4 p.m.
12 at Triad (DH)	10 a.m.
15 at Belleville West	4:15 p.m.
17 Belleville East	4:15 p.m.
18 Cahokia	4:15 p.m.
19 Jerseyville	9:30 a.m.
22 at Alton	4:15 p.m.
24 at ESL Lincoln	4:15 p.m.
25 Round Robin Tournament	TBA
30 at Althoff	4:15 p.m.

1 at Collinsville	4:15 p.m.
6 Edwardsville	4:15 p.m.
8 East St. Louis	4:15 p.m.
10 at Springfield (DH)	11 a.m.
12 Belleville West	4:15 p.m.
13 at Belleville East	4:15 p.m.
15 Alton	4:15 p.m.
20 ESL Lincoln	4:15 p.m.
24 at Carbondale (DH)	10 a.m.

### LEBANON GREYHOUNDS 1997 Baseball

31 O'Fallon	4 p.m.
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1 at Sparta	4 p.m.
3 Breese Central	4 p.m.
7 at Weslin	4:30 p.m.
8 Gibault	4:30 p.m.
10 Carlyle	4:30 p.m.

### 12 New Athens (DH)

12 New Athens (DH)	12 p.m.
14 at Breese Central	4:30 p.m.
15 at Mater Dei	4:30 p.m.
16 Freeburg	4:30 p.m.
19 Valmeyer (DH)	11 a.m.
21 Dupo	4:30 p.m.
22 at New Athens	4:30 p.m.
25 Waterloo	4:30 p.m.
30 Columbia	4:30 p.m.

2 at Carlyle	4:30 p.m.
5 at M.E. Lutheran	4:15 p.m.
6 at Althoff	4:30 p.m.
7 Weslin	4:30 p.m.
12 at Marissa	4:30 p.m.
14 at Red Bud	4:30 p.m.
15 Oakville	4:30 p.m.

### RED BUD MUSKETEERS 1997 Baseball

25 Chester	4 p.m.
26 at Belleville West	4 p.m.

1 Belleville East	4 p.m.
2 at Coulterville	4 p.m.
5 Valmeyer (DH)	11 a.m.
7 at Marissa	4:30 p.m.
8 at Wood River	4:30 p.m.
10 Cahokia	4:30 p.m.
12 Collinsville (DH)	11 a.m.
15 at Steeleville	4:30 p.m.
16 at Weslin	4:30 p.m.
18 at Virginia (DH)	3 p.m.
19 at Riverton, Springfield	4:30 p.m.
21 Freeburg	4:30 p.m.
22 Gibault	4:30 p.m.
23 Triad	4:30 p.m.
24 Dupo	4:30 p.m.
28 at New Athens	4:30 p.m.
30 Waterloo	4:30 p.m.

### VALMEYER PIRATES 1997 Baseball

7 at New Athens	4 p.m.
8 Columbia	4 p.m.
9 Marissa	4:30 p.m.
12 Monroe County Tournament	
TBA	
14 Steeleville	4:30 p.m.
17 New Athens	4:30 p.m.
18 at ESL Lincoln	4:30 p.m.
19 at Lebanon (DH)	11 a.m.
21 at Triad	4:30 p.m.
23 Gibault	4:30 p.m.
29 Coulterville	4:30 p.m.
30 M.E. Lutheran	4:30 p.m.

## Prep basketball

### CLASS A BOYS

Weslin Regional	Monday, Feb. 24
Game 1: Madison 92, Lovejoy 63	
Game 2: Althoff 83, Lebanon 57	
Tuesday, Feb. 25	
Game 3: Freeburg 52, Weslin 48	

Greenville Regional	Monday, Feb. 24
Game 1: Greenville 73, Livingston 34	
Game 2: Staunton 55, Roxana 54	
Tuesday, Feb. 25	
Game 3: Alton Marquette 46, Bunker Hill 42	
Game 4: Wood River 43, Metro East Lutheran 39	

### Friday, Feb. 28

Title: Madison 68, Venice 58	
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### Wednesday, Feb. 26

Game 5: Greenville 64, Staunton 60	
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### Thursday, Feb. 27

Game 6: Alton Marquette 66, Wood River 49	
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### Friday, Feb. 28

Title: Greenville 52, Alton Marquette 46	
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### Vandalia Sectional

Game 1: Madison 66, Greenville 54	
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### Wednesday, March 5

Game 2: Farina South Central 63, Litchfield 49	
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### Friday, March 7

Championship: Madison 53, Farina South Central 35	
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### Charleston Super-Sectional

Game 1: Madison 55, Sparta 51	
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### Friday, March 7

Championship: Nashville 77, Columbia 57	
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### Columbia Regional

Game 1: Red Bud 50, New Athens 47	
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### Tuesday, Feb. 25

Game 2: Columbia 85, Marissa 52	
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### Wednesday, Feb. 26

Game 4: Gibault 44, Red Bud 31	
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### Friday, Feb. 29

Title: Columbia 55, Gibault 51	
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### Nashville Sectional

Game 1: Nashville 65, Sesser-Valer 49	
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### Wednesday, March 5

Game 2: Columbia 74, Trico 67	
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### Friday, March 7

Championship: Nashville 77, Columbia 57	
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### Carbondale Super-Sectional

Tuesday, March 11	
Nashville 60, Harrisburg 47	

### State tournament

State tournament
Friday, March 14

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The Illinois Trekkers Volkssport Club and the Scott Health and Wellness Center have joined together to host a day of health and fun at Scott Air Force Base on Saturday, April 5.

You are invited to enjoy a five- or 10-kilometer walk around Scott Air Force Base and then participate in a Health Fair sponsored by the Health and Wellness Center.

The start and finish of the walk is the Health and Wellness Center located in the Gateway Recreation Center on West Martin Street on the base. You may start the walk anytime between 8 a.m. and noon, but you must be finished by 3 p.m. Ample parking is available behind the Recreation Center.

The event is open to the public, and family participation is encouraged. The walk is on flat ground and is rated a "one" (easy). Wagons, wheelchairs and strollers will have no problem with the walk.

The "credit only" event is sanctioned by the AVA/IVV and is eligible for credit toward IVV achievement awards. Registration for the walk is \$2, and an assortment of "B" awards will be available for purchase. Previous walkers are reminded to bring their event/distance books. Books also will be for sale at the event for \$5 each.

For additional information on the walk or Health Fair, call Celia at 277-5668.



Youth from the First Assembly of God in Granite City and Harvest Assembly of Pontoon Beach are planning to travel to Guyana on a mission trip.

### Church youth go on mission to Guyana

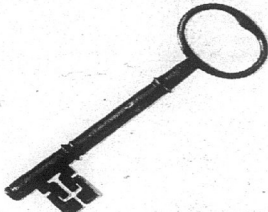
Youth from First Assembly of God of Granite City and Harvest Assembly of Pontoon Beach are joining together for a missions trip to Guyana, South America.

A spaghetti dinner and auction is planned for Saturday, April 5, at the Nelson Hagman Township Hall in Granite City from 4 to 7 p.m. with the direction of Mike Boone.

The group will be sponsoring Kid's Crusades and ministering through the mediums of drama and music.

Guyana '97 is the third annual trip to South America under the direction of Mike Boone.

The auction to begin at 5 p.m. Items for the auction have been donated by local individuals and businesses. Tickets are \$5 for adults, \$3.50 for children. They will be available at the door or in advance by calling 931-6583 or 876-6788. All proceeds will be used for Guyana '97 expenses.



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### Benefit date changed

The location of Catholic Social Service's benefit has been changed to the Officer's Club at Scott Air Force Base. The benefit will be held on Saturday, April 12, beginning with a cash bar at 6 p.m. Honorees are Florian and Myrtle Beckman of O'Fallon, V. Ester Hughes and Charity Stewart of East St. Louis and Ernest and Jean Touchette of Mascoutah.

For more information about the benefit or to purchase tickets, call 277-0280. Catholic Social Service is a private, non-profit child and family agency serving people of all faiths and income levels who live in Southern Illinois.



Grace Baptist Church friends of Shannon Stapleton and Jesse Tedor of Granite City selected them king and queen for the church's 4th Annual Valentine Banquet.

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### Church's youth choose valentine king and queen

Grace Baptist Church youth group recently held its 4th annual Valentine banquet. Jesse Tedor and Shannon Stapleton were selected by their friends as the Grace Baptist Church King and Queen for 1997.

Jesse Tedor is a seventh grader at Coolidge Middle School and the son of Billie Tedor of Granite City. Shannon Stapleton is an eighth grader at Grishy Middle School and the daughter of Mary and Lisa Stapleton of Granite City.

## DOMESTIC VIOLENCE

Domestic violence has become so widespread that it is now a major public health epidemic.

It is a fact that domestic violence is carried over into the workplace. Domestic violence costs employers \$3 to \$5 billion annually just from absenteeism. It is important for employers as well as employees to understand domestic violence and its impact in the workplace.

The Women's Crisis Center of Metro East in cooperation with Memorial Hospital, will present a seminar about domestic violence.

### DATE, TIME, PLACE

Tuesday, April 1, 1997

7 to 9 p.m.

Memorial Hospital Auditorium

### INFORMATION

This is a free program; however seating is limited and advance registration is requested. To make a reservation, call Memorial's Community Relations Department at 257-5649.

### Attendees will:

- Learn to more easily identify co-workers who are living with domestic violence.
- Understand how domestic violence can and does affect the workplace.
- Develop skills and learn about resources to assist those being victimized.
- Learn techniques to handle an abuser's aggression and defuse hostile situations.

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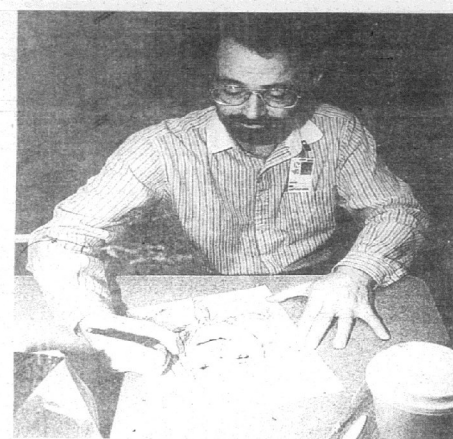
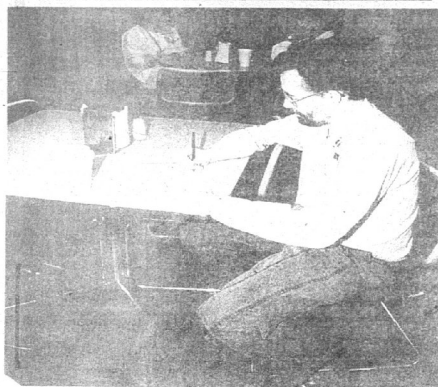
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## FAMILY



Scott Green, bottom left and top right, works on a caricature of respiratory technician Donna Holcomb at St. Elizabeth Medical Center in Granite City. At top, left, he gives a finished picture to Donna Holcomb as Kelly Rhines watches.

(Photos by BOB FEHRINGER)

## Artist draws caricatures of people

A thin, spectacled and bearded man in a gray striped shirt sits alone in the coffee shop of St. Elizabeth Medical Center. As he slowly sips his French vanilla cappuccino from an oversized Styrofoam cup, he glances at a woman seated nearby. His attention quickly shifts

to a piece of paper on his table. He makes a few marks. He glances at the woman again. Scribbles on the paper. Glances. Scribbles. Glances. Scribbles. The man with the paper and (See ARTIST, Page 68)

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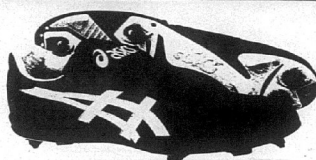
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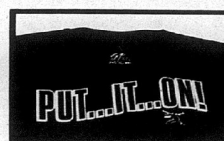
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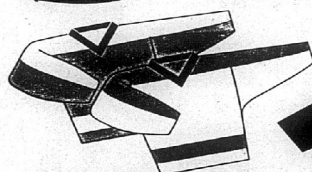


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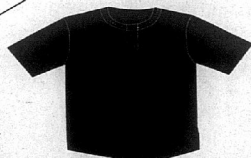


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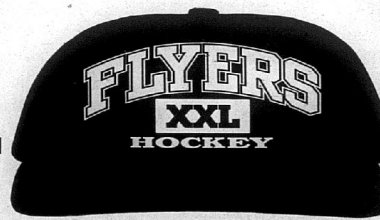
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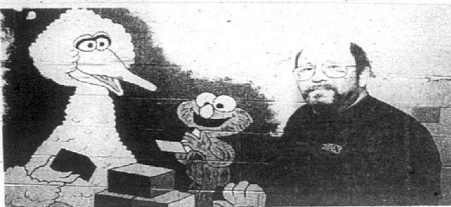
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# NEWS



Dave Sheppard, an employee at St. Elizabeth Medical Center in Granite City, poses with his creations at the Edwardsville Health Center in Edwardsville, where he also



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works. Above right, Sheppard performs chest physiotherapy on patient Lloyd Becker.

## Granite City technician sings, paints murals

If it's true that nice guys finish last, Dave Sheppard might as well stay out of the race. Sheppard's duties as a pulmonary rehabilitation respiratory technician at St. Elizabeth Medical Center keep him running between various hospital locations in Granite City and Edwardsville during the day. At night, the 46-year-old Fairview Heights resident plays guitar in a band that tours retirement homes in the Metro East, entertaining the residents at no charge. He can often be found practicing his vocals while treating patients. "He calls it singing," patient Orval Femmer said, "I call it caterwauling."

### MS Society is holding benefit walk in April

The National Multiple Sclerosis Society has announced the selection of Patricia Verbeck of Collinsville and Becky Harsze of Swansea as chairmen of the MS Walk, which will take place at 9 a.m. Saturday, April 12, at Eastport Plaza in Collinsville, Illinois 157 and Interstate 70. Similar walks will take place in more than 35 communities in Eastern Missouri and Southern Illinois as part of the National MS Walk weekend. Last year, nearly 3,000 walkers in 15 states raised more than \$200,000 to benefit the work of the National Multiple Sclerosis Society. The walkers ask family, friends and co-workers to sponsor them by pledging donations. Four or more walkers may sign up as a team. The Gateway Area Chapter of the NMSS is headquartered in St. Louis and serves 4,000 people with MS and their families throughout a 90-county area. MS is a devastating disease because it is so unpredictable. The progression, severity and specific symptoms cannot be foreseen. Those with MS never know when attacks will occur, how long they will last or how severe they will be. The cause of MS is not known, and there is no cure at this time, although new medications are now available to slow down progression of the disease.

### Artist

pen is Scott Green, a computer operator at St. Elizabeth Medical Center in Granite City. In his spare time, he draws caricatures of people he finds interesting. With no formal art training, Glenn, a Granite City resident, has developed his art form to the point that he can render a likeness of a person in under five minutes. The 44-year-old Air Force veteran earned an associate degree in electronics from the College of the Siskiyous in Weed, Calif. "After graduating I had a lot of time on my hands to develop my style," Green said. "I bummed around a while and worked at various video repair jobs." Now that he's at St. Elizabeth's on a steady basis, he often spends time at local events drawing visitors' likenesses for a small profit. His most recent bopping was at Belleville Area College Granite City Campus, where he enjoyed a degree of success. "It's fun even if I don't get paid," he said. "It's common to see me at a local McDonald's doodling whoever's there." Although Green enjoys his unique form of communication, he sees the world in a realistic light. "The artist in me may be screaming to get out," he said, "but I don't like to be hungry."

three hours a week painting," he said. "It took about six weeks to finish them all. I'd do it at night and as a result scared several housekeepers," he said with a chuckle. The former American Steel foreman obtained a certificate in respiratory therapy from Belleville Area College and has been at St. Elizabeth's for eight years. "I started here as

a volunteer, helping move patients between rooms," he said. Before that he worked at various hospitals as a respiratory therapist. "I do whatever I can to help people increase the quality and quantity of their lives," he said. "The only downfall to this job is that I occasionally make friends I know I may lose."

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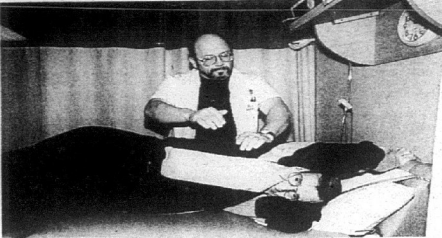
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seminar, "Recognizing Panic Disorder."

The one-day seminar for health care professionals will be held Friday, April 4, at the Sheraton Plaza Hotel at Westport Plaza in St. Louis.

Speakers includes Susan Simmons-Ailing, an advanced practice nurse, who works with the National Institute of Mental Health Panic Disorder Edu-

cation Network; Bernard Beitman, chairman of the department of psychiatry and neurology at University of Missouri-Columbia; Cheryl Carmin, director of the cognitive behavior therapy program at the University of Illinois-Chicago; Alec Pollard, director of the Anxiety Disorders Center and associate professor at St. Louis University; and Mary

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# ENTERTAINMENT

## 9th Viennese Ball to be held April 5

The Friends of Music, a support organization for the Southern Illinois University at Edwardsville Department of Music, will host the ninth annual Viennese Ball on the SIUE campus at 6:30 p.m. Saturday, April 5. Deadline for reservations is March 26.

The guests for this year's event are John and Kay Kendall.

Kendall is a professor emeritus of the Department of Music. Proceeds will benefit the SIUE music scholarship fund.

During the event, the SIUE Symphony Orchestra and the SIUE Concert Jazz Band will be showcased in an evening of music and dancing, ranging in styles from Johann Strauss waltzes to the Big Band Jazz era. In addition, "Cabaret Rooms" will be available.

Tickets for the April 5 gala are \$50 per person, \$30 for full-time SIUE students, \$365 for reserved tables for eight and \$455 for reserved tables for 10.

For more information or to make a reservation, call the SIUE Fine Arts box office at 692-2774.

## 'Beautician' is a 'corny' nanny movie

Joy Miller is a 30-something beautician who lives at home with her overbearing, but loving parents in a knickknack filled home in Queens.

By day, the plucky hairstylist (Fran Drescher) arms herself with her blow dryer and commutes to Manhattan for job tryouts—doing hair and makeup for lottery spokesmodels would be a big break.

At night she picks up extra cash teaching "beauty culture" to gum-chewing teens.

In between, the spike-heeled, lycra-clad woman fends off her mom's nagging to "settle" for a local guy, while she dreams of true love with a handsome prince who will sweep her off her feet.

Through an extremely implausible turn of events (she gets her face on the front page of The New York Post as a local hero), Joy connects with a prince—sort of—and is spirited away to the fictional East

European nation of Slovetzia.

The guy in question is Boris Pochenko (Timothy Dalton), who mistakenly believes Joy is a brilliant science teacher, someone who can help bring his four children into the 20th century.

Pochenko does have a musty castle, and he is tall and handsome.

But he's also fierce, abrupt and unsmiling, the leader of a small country that is reluctantly shaking off his family's authoritarian and communist past.

When not quashing pro-democracy rebellions, he is apparently just another sensitive widower, trying to raise his headstrong kids on his own, and, of course, sorely in need of a woman's touch.

From here on out it's a bit like "The Sound of Music" meets the 1990s, with all the corniness and none of the music.

A kind of ingredients that seem light and cute in a

half-hour TV show grow weary in a 107-minute feature.

Only the most fervent fans of Drescher's sassy, likable television persona in "The Nanny" will not be bored by a predictable plot that goes on way too long.

There are the usual array of characters:

• A modern tutor whose free-spirited ways bring her into conflict with stern dad.

• A daughter (Lisa Jakub) who keeps sneaking away to see her boyfriend.

• A teen-age son who has a not-so-secret crush on his beautiful teacher.

And, of course, there's the typical cute toddler whose job it is to sit around looking adorable and making the audience wish he could get a new mom. Can we guess who that could be?

Joy doesn't know a thing about science, and she refuses to pass on the propaganda that fills the regime's textbooks.

So the teacher, what she knows: math, using

frequent fiery miles as a tool; chemistry and biology lessons featuring skin creams.

She also informs the factory workers about unions and overtime pay and tries to convince Pochenko that happy workers are more productive.

And what do you know? The kids love this free-spirited and loving sort.

The masses can't get enough of her hot, pink Capri pants and Jackie O sunglasses.

And Dad is beginning to soften up around the edges, too.

Joy soon has Boris shaving off his Stalin-style mustache and losing those prissy gold-braided trimmed military uniforms in favor of nifty Armani suits and turtlenecks.

Why bother revealing the ending? It's as predictable as every plot turn in this tinny movie.

Who could have hoped for something a little more

inventive from director Ken Kwapis ("Dunston Checks In," "Tie Me Up, Tie Me Down," "The Nanny" on HBO).

Drescher does exude a lot of charm, and a few of the comic lines are sharp and clever.

The kids are also appealing, particularly the doe-eyed Jakub, who played the eldest daughter in "Mrs. Doubtfire."

He gets a scene featuring what might be many fathers' secret fantasy: to have his daughter's rebellious, insolent boyfriend thrown in a dungeon.

The Paramount Pictures Release is produced by Howard W. Koch Jr. and Screenwriter Todd Graff. Executive Producers are Roger Birnbaum, Drescher and "Nanny" co-creator Peter Marc Jacobson.

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## 'Smilla' intriguing tale

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The man and his dogs race desperately to escape the immense wall of ice crashing toward them.

That is the powerful opening of "Smilla's Sense of Snow," based on a popular novel by Peter Hoeg.

It's an intriguing tale, relating a modern-day result of the fallen meteor.

The renowned Dane Bille August ("Pelle the Conqueror") directed the film, which has a savage beauty in its landscapes.

But the urban story falters, straining credibility.

Smilla Jaspersen (Julia Ormond) is a part-time Greenland, part-American, living in Copenhagen.

Disturbed by her mixed identity, she has been a troublemaker all her life.

She is an expert in snow, but refuses classroom regimentation and has never earned a degree.

After study one day, she hears sirens approaching her apartment building.

She arrives to find an Inuit boy she has befriended dead from falling off a roof.

She refuses to consider it an accident.

She launches her own investigation and discovers

an insidious plot.

This is dangerous business, but she persists.

A mysterious neighbor (Gabriel Byrne) becomes her ally (or enemy?) and, eventually, her lover.

As she gets closer to the truth, both the police and hit men try to thwart her.

The plot is as labyrinthine as most whodunits, and it is eerily convincing as long as it sticks to the mystery.

So snow-covered Copenhagen adds to the mood.

But as the mystery starts to unravel, August crashes into the realm of science fiction.

The entire effect is shattered in an explosion of Hollywood proportions.

The casting is equally disconcerting.

An international cast has been assembled: Ormond and Byrne, Robert Loggia, Richard Harris, Vanessa Redgrave and Jim Broadbent.

But "Smilla" is supposed to take place in Denmark, and the clash of accents is jarring.

Harris and Redgrave register strongly, as always.

"Smilla's Sense of Snow" is a release of Fox Searchlight, 20th Century Fox's subsidiary for prestige films.

Bernard Eichinger and Martin Moskowitz produced, Ann Biderman wrote the screenplay.

## Lutheran singles sponsor a retreat in Marion

Southern Illinois Lutheran Singles is sponsoring a retreat for any single person of any age or denomination who has never been married or is divorced or widowed. The retreat will be held April 19-20 at the Marion (Ill.) Convention Center and Holidome.

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## Horoscope

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ARIES (March 21-April 19). Trust your inner knowing. Blend courage and a pleasant disposition — doors will open. Balancing your checkbook may not be fun, but it's absolutely necessary. Today is not a day to goof off. See how luck follows you.

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GEMINI (May 21-June 21).

Business meetings held after hours could get you the raise or contract you desperately need. In relationships, it's difficult to satisfy both what your heart needs and what your head accepts. Make sure your insurance is up to date.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). Act in a way that brings mutual benefits — if you're the only winner, the pleasure is short-lived. You can judge your actions by taking matters to your heart. Progress can be made in seemingly impossible situations.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). Though you'd like to think otherwise, the sweetest revenge is simply to live well. Guard against creating tax problems for yourself. Deal with property matters now. You are central to your family's welfare.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAY

(March 26). You are a trail-blazer, and therein lies your best rewards. Ignore critics — they are not prepared for your brilliance. Self-reliance is a must. Relationships take on added significance next month. Your support system is more important than ever. In May, you must give to get! You know whether or not a lover is for you by December. Your best lovers are Taurus and Leo.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). Give your abundant love and understanding as you can make the difference in someone's happiness. Pare expenses down to the bone. A partnership may be more costly than you anticipated. Take the middle path in finance.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). A neighbor finally apologizes, and you can renew your

friendship. Vitality and ideas pour from you once you resolve to give up worrying. Siblings know you better than you think if you try to hide, you won't be successful.

Anything having to do with the arts is favored. You are more talented than you know, but you must be willing to practice. Attending or participating in political events brings you closer to people who affect your destiny.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). Your willpower is strong, and so is your stubborn streak — use the two to form new habits. You can celebrate togetherness and be deeply satisfied or wait for a reason to spend money and be bored.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). Now you can assimilate yesterday's new information. A

bonus or new expense account eases your financial burden. Spend money on your wardrobe. Being up with the times helps your career and your love life.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). Responsibilities are less of a worry as you realize there are others to help you shoulder the burden. Not everyone has your quick wit and social network, but that's no reason to exclude them. Be a kind listener.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). You thrive where competition is stiff. Additional schooling is something to consider. It may be time to push for marriage, as your current love doesn't want to lose you, either. Singles are fascinated by Scorpions.

## Movie 'subUrbia' a bleak film about mediocre people

Abstract dreams of New York give Sooze solace. Pot-smoking, pizza-scarfing Buff's ideal evening is facile; "smoke, babe, slice, brew." Alcohol helps Tim dull his hate

and Bee-Bee her anguish. Even Jeff, who possesses the closest thing to motivation, craves only "something real" for two or three seconds. These are the desolate post-

adolescents who populate the overplayed angstscape of "subUrbia," a bleak film about a day in the life of mediocre everypeople. Sometimes talky, often

stagnant, always relevant, "subUrbia," based on Eric Bogosian's play — is a modern morality tale about a place all too familiar in 1990s America: the realm of post-consumer hopelessness. The players in "subUrbia" grope for meaning, but don't quite realize that their lives lack it almost entirely.

There is no plot, really, just a plethora of overlapping backstories that focus on a group of five slackers and the return of one of their high-school acquaintances, Pony, who sings in a band. Jeff (Giovanni Ribisi) lives in a pup tent in his parents' garage and is taking a few community college courses, trying to figure out what he wants to do with his life. His nights are spent with his friends, proving the retail landscape of the every suburb of Burnfield. They always seem to end up in the parking

lot of a particular convenience store, where they ruminate dully and try to figure out what's wrong.

Pony (Clayce Bartok), who has left town and found success as a pop singer, returns in a limo to revisit his old haunts. His presence rolls the unhealthy funk in which the friends wallow, and their night of interaction is the pin on which the movie turns.

The lack of defined story in "subUrbia" is the point, since life itself has no plot. To these people, hanging out and talking about unattainable goals is the very essence of existence. "I'm movin' out to L.A.," Buff (Steve Zahn) brags to the Pakistani convenience-store operator, Nazeer (Ajay Naidu).

That's nice," Nazeer snaps. "They have many convenience stores there to stand in front of."

The performances are dead-on, especially Parker Posey ("Dazed & Confused") as a record-company publicist who accompanies Pony back to Burnfield and becomes intertwined with the group.

Zahn is engaging as cinema's latest Spicoli, and Amie Carie is irresistible as Jeff's angry but good-hearted girlfriend, Sooze. Nicky Katt plays Tim as a brooding, xenophobic young man descending into alcoholism.

These young men and women have passed the sheen of youth and lack a solid adulthood to anchor their feet upon. They emotionally abandon one another simply because they can't figure out how else to act in a habitat so physically lost as they are emotionally.

This is a tale both of possibilities lost and possibilities never realized, of a crew of pure never-will-bees, tragic in their utter inability to understand how trapped they are.

"You wanna know what your problem is, Jeff?" Tim says scornfully. "You want to believe so badly, you'll buy anything."

"subUrbia," a Castle Rock film, is directed by Richard Linklater from a screenplay by Bogosian. It is produced by Anne Walker-McBay.

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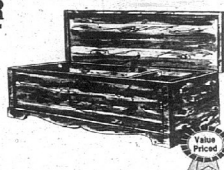
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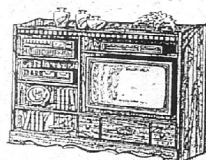
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### Lively Taste

Vinegar adds dash of flavor and fun. Add 2 tablespoons white vinegar to each quart of water before hard-cooking eggs. It helps prevent eggs from cracking and lets dye set more evenly. For firmer, whiter fish, soak seafood fillet or steak 20 minutes in 1 quart water and 2 tablespoons vinegar. Add a spoonful of vinegar to prepared salad dressing for greens or pasta. As a marinade, combine 1/2 cup white, cider or wine vinegar to 1 cup broth or bouillon to tenderize meat or game. Just 1 teaspoon vinegar in the cooking liquid for rice cuts its stickiness.

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### Fresh Picks

Fruits besides pineapple add variety in flavor and color to ham. A little onion adds tang. Peel, seed and chop 2 oranges. Peel and finely chop 3 kiwifruit. Stir with 1/4 cup snipped fresh mint, 1 teaspoon grated orange zest and 1/4 cup minced red onion. Cover. Refrigerate. Serve chilled or at room temperature.

### Big Fat Tip

Fresh lemon glaze tops dessert ranging from angel food cake to fresh strawberries. Coarsely cut 1/2 angel food cake in paper-thin cartwheel slices. Remove seeds, then chop. In saucepan, bring lemon and 2 cups water to boil. Reduce heat. Simmer 15 minutes. Drain well, discarding water. In saucepan, thoroughly combine 1/2 cup sugar and 1-1/2 tablespoons cornstarch. Blend in 1/2 cup water. Add drained lemon and juice of 1 whole lemon (3 tablespoons). Bring to boil, stirring constantly. Boil 2 minutes. Stir in 1 or 2 drops yellow food coloring. Chill until cool but not set. Spread or pour over cake or fruit.

### Future Shop

Congratulations to adults who eat more fruits and vegetables than five years ago, when the 5 A Day for Better Health Program began. Average daily consumption has risen from 3.9 to 4.4 servings. The program combines efforts of the National Cancer Institute and the Produce for Better Health Foundation. The goal is to encourage Americans to build up to five to nine daily servings to improve health and reduce cancer risk. One serving is 3/4 cup (6 ounces) fruit or vegetable juice, one medium fruit like a banana, 1/2 cup cut-up fruit or raw or cooked vegetable, 1/4 cup dried fruit, 1 cup raw leafy vegetable or 1/2 cup cooked or canned peas or beans.



## HOORAY FOR HAM!

By Janice Denham  
Staff writer

If there is anything easier to cook than a Thanksgiving turkey, it is an Easter ham. A bumper sticker suggesting cooks "honk for ham" or "hug a ham" could start a new and well-deserved holiday tradition.

"Ham" generally refers to the meat from the hind leg of a hog that has been cured, usually smoked, and cooked. It is sold whole or half, by the piece or the slice, with or without bone, wrapped in plastic or vacuum-sealed. Labeled "fully-cooked," it is ready to eat. For a

special day like Easter, it is heated to bring out its juiciness and flavor.

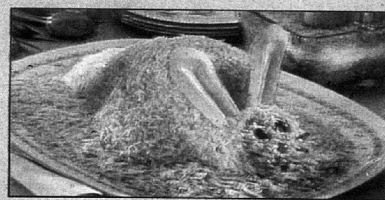
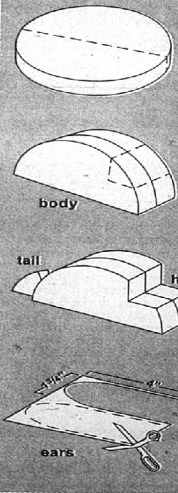
If the meat is labeled simply "ham," it usually is dry-cured and very salty. This is a southern specialty. "Ham with natural juices" has little extra water. "Ham — added water" retains more water during curing. "Ham and water product" has the most water added — diluting its protein, fat and price — and often is the meat found in the deli.

While a boneless ham, which provides four to five servings per pound, is fall-off-a-sausage easy to slice,

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## Kids' Cuisine

### HOPPY SPRING



Each bunny cake is made from 1 round layer of white cake, baked and cooled. If desired, add 1/2 cup semisweet chocolate mini chips tossed with 1 tablespoon flour to batter before baking.

Other ingredients needed: 1 to 2 cans (16 ounces each) creamy vanilla frosting, a few drops red and a few drops green food coloring, wooden picks, 1 package (10 ounces or 3-3/4 cups) coconut, 1 red and 2 black jelly beans, red shoestring licorice, construction paper (cut 4-by-1-3/4 inches for ears).

Cut cake layer in half. Put together with small amount of frosting to form body. On tray, place cake upright on cut edge. Cut notch about one-third up one edge. Attach cut-out piece for tail with wooden picks. Frost cake with remaining frosting, mounding extra frosting on sides to round out bunny.

**Pink Coconut:** Dilute 4 drops red food coloring with 1 teaspoon water. In tightly closed plastic bag, shake with 2 cups coconut until evenly tinted.

**Green Coconut:** Dilute 3 drops green food coloring with 3/4 teaspoon water. In tightly closed plastic bag, shake with 1-1/2 cups coconut until evenly tinted.

Sprinkle pink coconut on body. Use white coconut for tail. Press ears into head. Add jelly beans for eyes and nose, licorice for whiskers. Mound green coconut around bunny.

# Today's Food

## Private Label Test Run



Schnucks fruit and grain cereal bars come eight to a box in four fruit flavors — blueberry, strawberry, raspberry and apple cinnamon.

## Cereal bars come in handy wrappers

The grab-and-go generation subscribes to the scientific theory that hands were invented before bowls and spoons. Thus, cereal bars can be more convenient than many other options.

When testers tested Schnucks fruit and grain low-fat cereal bars, they told how they currently use the individually-wrapped bars.

One keeps them on hand for her sons.

"My kids eat them before and after early morning swim practices. They are easy to pack. Like all cereal bars, they aren't very filling if you are really hungry, but they are good for those of us who don't develop an appetite until we've been up for hours," she said.

The Schnucks bars, packaged eight to a box, cost \$2.99, compared to other low-fat national brand bars priced about 30 cents more

per package.

Another tester uses them as snacks in the car.

"I have used name-brand ones for travel snacks. Schnucks's bars are about the same. I thought the Schnucks bar had a thinner layer of fruit, but the flavor was good and sharp," she said.

There were mixed opinions about the "grain" texture of the bar.

"I like that there's more 'cereal' flavor than fruit, compared with other cereal bars I've had," one tester said.

Another did her own comparing.

"I think these bars all tend to have too much graininess, but I liked this one better than most, because it did not leave as much of a 10 percent higher risk in its wake. My senses seemed to remember they had had something sweet, not just a bar with flour in

it," she said.

For a sweet she would pick "newton" products because of their fuller filling, but still keep these as an alternative to those looking on the same shelf for a candy bar.

Testers tried the strawberry and apple cinnamon varieties. Schnucks also has bars in raspberry and blueberry flavors.

The strawberry filling doesn't have a powerful fruit flavor, but its texture is nice and chewy and not overly crunchy," a taster added.

Another summed up the filling by saying, "The apple flavor is light and fruity, not too sweet. The strawberry is sweeter."

Each low-fat bar has 140 calories, 3 grams fat, 60 milligrams sodium, 27 grams carbohydrate (12 grams sugars), 2 grams protein and 1 gram dietary fiber.

## Micro Raves

## Cook lamb to curb March's lion appetite

KATHY HANEWINKEL

Here it is, almost Easter. This year I'm skipping the usual ham and bird for something really special — leg of lamb.

It used to be that while North America got ready for spring, sheep ranchers in New Zealand busily processed and shipped two million lambs to the U.S. Thus, our spring lamb was a by-product of New Zealand's wool industry.

Today the U.S. has its own growing lamb industry, animals bred especially for their tasty meat. Now we get delicious fresh, not frozen, lamb any time of year, but at this time of year stores keep more lamb on hand, so it is not only nutritious and tasty, but also more affordable.

Lamb scores high in nutrition. One serving provides more than 40 percent of an adult's high-quality daily protein needs. It is also high in iron, and B-complex vitamins.

When microwaving lamb, use a medium (50 percent) power level to avoid toughening its delicate protein content. Because of this lower power level, lamb takes about 8 minutes per pound to cook.

One leg of lamb can make several meals for a medium-size family. A butcher can easily cut the leg in half or slice off several steaks.

However, to cook a whole leg, have him saw off the tip of the bone so it fits in a microwave oven. Removing the shank part of the bone yields a more tender, productive "semi-boneless" leg of lamb. The bone tip already is removed, so only the smaller femur bone remains. This results in a tastier, bone-in flavor that is easier

to carve. This cut weighs between 5 and 6 pounds.

U.S. fresh lamb has a very mild flavor, so a cook does not need lots of garlic or other strong seasoning to cover its flavor. Try brushing on a mint glaze and then cooking the lamb, or cover it with orange marmalade and serve with the resulting sauce.

Make sure the butcher has removed the "fell."

A leg of lamb should not cook to well done. Use this guide to determine interior doneness: Rare is 140°, medium is 160°, and well done 170°. Temperature rises during standing time, so stop the oven 10° to 15° before the desired temperature. This is an excellent time to use the temperature probe for the oven or use a microwave thermometer.

Convection/microwaves or combination ovens are a perfect way to roast leg of lamb, much better than a microwave alone. Use the low setting, with a temperature setting of 325°, then set the probe for 150° when it is done.

Home economist Kathy Hanewinkel specializes in microwave cooking.

### HERB ROASTED LEG OF LAMB

- 5 to 6 lb. leg of lamb (fell removed)
- 2 cloves garlic, slivered
- 1/2 cup bread crumbs
- 2 tsp. fresh parsley
- 1/2 tsp. salt
- 1/4 tsp. leaf oregano
- 1/4 tsp. leaf thyme
- 1/2 tsp. pepper
- 2 tsp. prepared mustard
- 2 tsp. butter, melted

Cut slits in lamb and insert garlic slivers.

Mix bread crumbs, parsley, salt, oregano, thyme and pepper.

Score lamb. Spread with mustard. Press seasoned bread crumb mixture on mustard. Drizzle with melted butter.

Shield parts of lamb that extend out with pieces of aluminum foil. Place in large dish or rack covered with waxed paper.

Set in oven, not allowing foil to touch oven walls or other metal. Microwave on medium-high (70 percent) power 5 minutes. Turn meat. Microwave on medium (50 percent) power 30 to 35 minutes. Turn meat. Continue to microwave at medium 10 to 15 minutes longer until interior temperature of lamb registers 160° or desired degree of doneness.

Tent with foil. Let stand 10 minutes.

Roast orange lamb: Spread lamb with 1 small jar orange marmalade. Roast lamb as directed, adding marmalade when turning lamb. Serve with orange sauce.

Mint glaze: In bowl, combine 1/2 cup mint jelly, 4 tablespoons butter, 1 teaspoon garlic powder and 4 drops lemon juice. Microwave on high power 2 to 3 minutes until bubbling. Spread half the mixture on lamb. Cook as directed. Spread with rest of glaze. Slice and serve.

Orange sauce: In large bowl or cup, combine 1 can (6 ounces) frozen orange juice, thawed, with 1/4 cup 1/2 stick butter and 1/4 cup burgundy wine. Microwave on medium power 15 to 20 minutes, stirring occasionally until gas is thick. Serve with sliced lamb.

## Butter, margarine debate continues

A glut of information has urged people to avoid animal fats and substitute plant oils with fewer saturated fats. Saturated fats have been associated with heart disease, atherosclerosis and weight gain. For many, a common substitute for butter has been margarine.

A study recently done at Harvard University now raises questions about margarine. It found that margarine is a major source of dietary trans fatty acids, which also may contribute

to the development of coronary heart disease.

Researchers evaluated more than 800 men for a period of 20 years. They found those who consumed one teaspoon margarine per day had a 10 percent higher risk of heart disease in the last 10 years of the study. It is unclear why the risk increase was noted only during the last phase of the study.

A group that consumed butter rather than margarine did not show increased risk of heart disease, but

the authors admitted it may be difficult to interpret data from those who consumed butter.

It is important to note this study started in 1960, because over that time there have been other changes on the supermarket shelf, including margarine itself. Margarine today has less fat and a lower amount of trans fatty acids. In another 20 years, data may show there is no greater risk of heart disease for people who choose margarine over butter.

## Recipe

### CHOCOLATEY CHIP ORANGE MUFFINS

- 2 cups flour
- 1 tsp. baking powder
- 1/4 tsp. baking soda
- 1/4 cup margarine, melted
- 1/4 cup honey
- 1/4 cup yolk-free egg product
- 1/2 cup orange juice

- 2 tsp. grated orange peel
- 1 cup reduced-fat semisweet chocolate chips

Preheat oven to 375°.

Grease muffin cups. In small bowl, combine flour, baking powder and baking soda.

In large bowl, combine margarine and honey. Blend in egg product, orange juice and peel. Stir in flour mixture and chips just until blended.

Spoon batter into prepared muffin cups, filling two-thirds full. Bake in preheated oven 20 minutes or until lightly brown.

Remove from pan. Cool slightly on wire rack. Serve warm.

Makes 12 muffins: 187 calories, 6 g fat, no cholesterol and 68 mg sodium each, using 56 percent vegetable oil spread.

## Ham

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To slice ham with a bone, a few slices cut gain. For thin side creates a steady platform to carve individual serving slices.

If heating ham, warm in a shallow baking pan, uncovered, in a 325° oven, according to package directions by the pound until internal temperature is 140°. Plan to roast ham labeled "cook before eating" 30 minutes a pound to an internal temperature of 160°.

A cook can offer guests Easter ham with a browned edge, pineapple slices and maraschino cherries. However, there are ways to heighten flavor, tingle taste buds and create an aura of newness to the familiar table.

### SPRING VEGETABLE VINAIGRETTE

- 8 oz. small zucchini, trimmed
- 8 oz. small yellow squash, trimmed
- 8 oz. green beans, trimmed, halved
- 1 small bunch broccoli florets
- 8 oz. sugar snap peas
- 1 red bell pepper, seeded, diced
- 1 cup olive oil
- 1/2 cup tarragon or white wine vinegar
- 2 tsp. Dijon mustard
- 1 tsp. salt
- 1/2 tsp. pepper
- 1 can (10 oz.) artichoke hearts, chilled, drained, halved
- Radishes for garnish

In large saucepan of boiling water, blanch vegetables, removing each from pan with slotted spoon according to these times: immediately rinsing with cold water, then chilling: zucchini and yellow squash 5 minutes, green beans 3 minutes, broccoli and peas 2 minutes, red pepper strips 1 minute.

Combine oil, vinegar, mustard, salt and pepper. Cover and refrigerate. To serve, cut zucchini and yellow squash in 3-by-1/2-inch strips. Arrange vegetables and artichokes on

platter. Shake salad dressing well and drizzle over vegetables. Garnish with radishes.

Makes 8 servings.

### ZESTY POTATO SALAD

- 6 medium potatoes (about 1 lb.), cooked, chilled, then peeled and cubed
- 2 hard-cooked eggs, chopped
- 1 small green bell pepper, finely chopped
- 1 small onion, finely chopped
- 1/2 cup mayonnaise
- 1/2 cup sour cream
- Grated peel and juice of 1/2 lemon
- 2 tsp. chopped pimento
- 1 tsp. sugar
- 1/2 tsp. salt
- 1/2 tsp. celery seed
- 1/4 tsp. white pepper

In large bowl, combine potato, egg, green pepper, onion, pickle, mayonnaise, sour cream, lemon peel and juice, pimento, sugar, salt, celery seed and white pepper.

If desired, press mixture firmly into oiled 6-cup ring mold. Chill. Run knife around inside of mold. Invert onto serving plate. Garnish with lemon cartwheel twists, carrot curls and parsley sprigs, if desired.

Makes 6 to 8 servings.

### PINEAPPLE SALSA

In medium bowl, stir together 1 can (8 ounces) crushed pineapple (drained); 2 tablespoons orange marmalade; 1 tablespoon chopped cilantro; 2 teaspoons seeded and finely chopped jalapeno pepper; 2 teaspoons lime juice and 1/4 teaspoon salt until well blended. Cover and refrigerate. Serve cold or at room temperature. Makes about 1 cup.

### HOT-N-SWEET APPLE CHUTNEY

In large saucepan, bring

2 cups rice wine vinegar to boil. Stir in 3/4 cup brown sugar until it is dissolved. Add 1/2 red bell pepper, 1 poblano chile, 2 jalapeno peppers, all seeded and diced, with 2 tablespoons minced red onion. Boil 8 minutes.

Add 3 green apples, peeled, cored and diced. Simmer until apples are tender but retain their shape. Stir in 2 tablespoons lemon juice. Cover and refrigerate. Serve at room temperature. Makes about 2 cups.

### HOT PEANUT DRESSING

In blender or food processor, combine 1/4 cup oil, 1/2 cup peanut butter, 6 tablespoons fresh lime juice, 2 tablespoons reduced-sodium soy sauce, 2 teaspoons ground ginger, 1 large clove garlic, minced, and 2 tablespoons sugar. Blend well. Heat through. Serve warm on ham slices or use on sandwiches with ham and greens. Makes about 1 cup.

### CHERRY-ONION MARMALADE

- 1/2 cup orange juice
- 1/2 cup water
- 1/2 tsp. dry sherry
- 1/2 cup dried tart cherries
- 2 tsp. grated orange zest
- 1 cup red currant jelly
- 1 tsp. lemon juice
- 1 tsp. Dijon mustard
- 1/2 cup minced onion
- 1 tsp. pepper
- Salt to taste

In medium saucepan, bring orange juice, water, sherry, cherries and orange zest to boil. Lower heat. Simmer 15 minutes.

### CRANBERRY CHUTNEY

In medium bowl, combine 1 can (6 ounces) whole-berry cranberry sauce, 1 can (8 1/2 ounces) crushed pineapple, drained, and 1 bottle (5 ounces) prepared horseradish.

## Partner perfect pairings to cultivate new classics

What could be better than a hearty, richly flavored lasagna or a cheese-filled tortellini? To find out, try an extra-quick version that partners fresh, frozen and pantry ingredients for an easy-to-make and delicious-to-taste meal.

Tossed Lasagna combines sautéed mushrooms, a medley of frozen vegetables, prepared spaghetti sauce and shredded mozzarella cheese with broken lasagna noodles. The quick result is a meatless version of the classic dish. Mushrooms give it flavor and texture that makes it seem "meaty."

Another update is colorful Tortellini with Mushroom and Garlic Sauce. In this dish, smart ingredients like roasted red peppers, fresh mushrooms and frozen peas in butter sauce — are quickly cooked, then spooned over hot tortellini.

The common ingredient here is mushrooms, an idea that works endlessly in favorite dishes because they are a natural companion for many different foods. Tomorrow's recipes could be for chili, tacos or meatloaf. Adding mushrooms is a simple way to create new favorites.

To enjoy fresh mushrooms at their best, keep them refrigerated. Clean mushrooms only when it is time to use them. Gently wipe them with a damp cloth or quickly rinse them with cold water.

For more information about fresh mushrooms

plus 16 recipes using them, request a free copy of "Mushrooms—Savor the Possibilities" from: Mushroom Council, 2200-B Douglas Blvd., Suite 220, Roseville, Calif. 95661.

### TOSSED LASAGNA

- 6 oz. uncooked lasagna noodles, broken in thirds (about 3½ cups)
- 2 tbsp. oil
- 1 lb. fresh white mushrooms, sliced (about 5 cups)
- 1½ tsp. Italian seasoning
- ½ tsp. minced garlic
- 2 cups spaghetti sauce
- 1 pkg. (16 oz.) frozen large-cut mixed vegetables
- ¼ cup grated parmesan cheese
- 1 cup (4 oz.) shredded mozzarella cheese

Prepare lasagna as label directs. Drain. Place in large serving bowl. Cover to keep warm.

In large skillet over medium-high heat, heat oil until hot. Cook mushrooms, Italian seasoning and garlic, stirring occasionally, about 6 minutes until mushrooms are tender. Stir in spaghetti sauce and frozen vegetables. Over medium heat, cook, stirring occasionally, about 5 minutes until mixture is hot.

In large bowl, gently toss together cooked lasagna, mushroom mixture and parmesan cheese. Sprinkle

with mozzarella cheese. Serve immediately. Top each portion with spoonful of ricotta cheese, if desired. Yields 4 servings.

### TORTELLINI WITH MUSHROOM AND GARLIC SAUCE

- 2 pkg. (9 oz. each) cheese-filled tortellini
- 2 tbsp. olive oil
- 1 lb. fresh white mushrooms, sliced (about 5 cups)
- 1 tsp. minced garlic
- 1 pkg. (10 oz.) frozen peas in butter sauce, slightly defrosted
- 1 jar (7 oz.) roasted red peppers, diced
- ¾ tsp. salt
- 1/8 tsp. black pepper

Cook tortellini according to package directions. Drain. Place in large serving bowl. Cover to keep warm.

In large nonstick skillet, heat oil. Cook mushrooms and garlic, stirring frequently, about 6 minutes until tender.

Add peas, roasted peppers, salt and black pepper. Cook, stirring occasionally, 2 to 3 minutes until heated through.

Spoon mushroom sauce over hot tortellini. Sprinkle with grated parmesan cheese, if desired. Yields 6 servings.



Update lasagna with mushrooms and prepared sauce. Move entire dish from oven to stove top.

### MARSHMALLOWS PEAK AT DESSERT

Little marshmallow bunnies and chicks are easy and fun to use for decorating.

For instance, prepare gelatin dessert in individual glass dishes or in custard cups. Add dollop of whipped topping and settle a marshmallow on top.

When making cream puffs, fill the base with vanilla pudding, set a marshmallow treat in the center and drizzle chocolate glaze around the edge.

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# Today's Food

## Wise Ways

By CYNTHIA FAUSER

## Greens, peels and shells color eggs 'au natural'

Fancy swirling dyes and cartoon-character shrink wraps make fine Easter egg decorations. However, if the kids are in the mood for a unique experience, just look around the kitchen for an Easter egg experience "to dye for."

Natural dyes from fruits, vegetables and nuts have colored our textiles and art since pre-history. Most kitchens have several resources suitable for dying eggs. Just for fun, try letting the children guess what the final color will be with each material chosen. From these instructions it is easy to see some are obvious but other are a surprise.

Keep in mind the decision to use natural dyes must be made before eggs are cooked because the eggs are simmered with the dye source in the water for 20 minutes. This long cooking time can toughen the white and darken the yolk. Consider, too, that the dye source may affect the egg's flavor.

There is one final, but most important caveat, no matter what decorating method is chosen. Eggs cooled in water suck the water through the pores into their shell as they cool. This can amount to as much as 10 percent of an egg's weight.

Any bacteria in the cooling water, like from the cook's hand fishing out the eggs, also gets sucked into the shell, where they can multiply on the nutritious egg inside. This was the source of a serious incident with staphylococcus aureus several years ago.

Once eggs are hard-

cooked, immediately remove them to a rack to cool in the refrigerator. Hard-cooked eggs keep one week in the refrigerator, while raw eggs keep five weeks in a refrigerator. Do not eat hard-cooked eggs that have been at room temperature more than two hours.

Registered dietician Cynthia Fauser is nutrition specialist for University Extension (University of Missouri system) in St. Louis County.

important — and 1 teaspoon vinegar per quart of water. Simmer 20 minutes.

Immediately remove eggs from water. Cool on rack in refrigerator.

### ENSALATA DI TORTELLINI

- 1 carton (7 oz.) refrigerated pesto
- 1/2 cup white wine vinegar
- 2 pkg. (9 oz. each) refrigerated cheese tortellini, cooked, drained, cooled
- 1 lb. asparagus (2 cups), cut in 1 1/2-inch pieces, blanched
- 2 cups (2 small) thinly sliced red and yellow bell pepper
- 1 cup chopped walnuts

In large bowl, whisk together pesto and vinegar. Add tortellini, asparagus, bell pepper and walnuts. Toss well. Chill before serving. Makes 4 to 6 servings.

### NATURAL EGG DYES

Coloring options include:  
fresh oregano or mint for beige  
red cabbage leaves for blue  
strong coffee for brown  
walnut shells for buff  
spinach for greyish gold/pink  
carrot tops for greenish yellow  
yellow delicious apple peel for lavender  
yellow onion skins for orange  
orange peels or thyme for yellow

Examine eggs. Eliminate any with a cracked shell. Place single layer of eggs in deep pan. Add tap water to at least one inch above eggs.

Add coloring material — exact amounts are not

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# Today's Food

## Recipe

### SPINACH SOUFFLE

- 2 to 3 tbsp. grated parmesan cheese or dry whole wheat bread crumbs  
 1/4 cup soft margarine or oil  
 1/4 cup flour  
 1 cup skim milk  
 1 tsp. minced dried onion  
 1/4 tsp. salt  
 Pinch nutmeg  
 3 egg yolks, beaten

1 pkg. (10 oz.) frozen chopped spinach, thawed, well drained  
 3/4 cup (about 3 oz.) shredded Swiss cheese  
 6 egg whites  
 1/4 tsp. cream of tartar

Preheat oven to 350°. Coat 2-quart souffle dish with nonstick cooking spray. Dust with parmesan cheese.

In 3-quart saucepan, melt margarine. Stir in flour. Cook about 2 minutes over medium-low heat, stirring to prevent burning. Remove from heat. Slow-

ly stir in milk, onion, salt and nutmeg. Return to medium heat. Cook and stir until thickened. Remove from heat.

Stir small amount of hot sauce into egg yolks. Return to remaining sauce. Cook about 1 minute. Stir in cheese and spinach. Cook just until cheese melts.

Beat egg whites until cream of tartar until stiff but not dry. Gently fold into sauce.

Pour into prepared dish. Bake in preheated oven 50 to 60 minutes until puffed and brown.

## Blue Ribbon Cook

### Simple salad yields flowering results

Doris Hohnstrater, St. Louis County, is the winner of this week's recipe contest for Cauliflower Medley Salad. Her prize is dinner certificates at the Pasta House Co.

It takes only four ingredients to put together this salad, but the results are magnified when the its flavors are left to marinate. She started making the salad in imitation of a favorite on her mother's table, but added the artichoke hearts on a whim one day and liked the result even better.

Recipes in the Spring Strawberry Recipe Contest should be postmarked by March 31 for consideration as winner each Wednesday in April. It is a bonus month, with five possible prize dates.

Send in one recipe per household for any kind of dish — appetizer to salad, snack to dessert — that uses strawberries to:

Spring Strawberry Recipe Contest, Suburban Journals, 1714 Deer Tracks Trail, St. Louis, Mo. 63131.

Type or print the recipe legibly on one side of the paper. Include name, address and telephone number on the entry. Name the Journal you receive.

Be sure to double-check the recipe as it is written for both amounts and directions, including any variations that make this dish special.

If there is a history to the recipe, it will be considered part of the entry. Along with taste and eye appeal, it will be among criteria used for selecting winners. Originality will be considered, although the recipe need not be original. If possible, name the recipe's source.

Winners are notified by mail. Duplicate entries will be considered on the basis of earlier entry or best

compliance with the rules. Contest winners may enter again six months after their prize-winning publication date.

### CAULIFLOWER MEDLEY SALAD

- 1 medium head cauliflower, broken in bite-size pieces  
 1 can (14 oz.) artichoke hearts, drained  
 1/2 small jar cut-up pimiento  
 3/4 to 1 cup reduced-fat Italian salad dressing

In saucepan, cook cauliflower in 1 cup water just until crisp. Drain and discard water.

In large bowl, combine cauliflower, artichokes and pimiento. Pour salad dressing over vegetables.

Marinate in refrigerator at least 1 day.

- 1/4 cup salsa  
 Salt and pepper, if desired

Coat nonstick skillet with nonstick cooking spray. Heat over medium heat. Sauté green pepper and onion until tender.

Stir in tomato, corn and beans. Add egg and cheese. Cook and stir to cook ingredients thoroughly. Season with salt and pepper.

Serve with salsa. Makes 4 to 6 servings.

### MEXI SCRAMBLE

- 1 medium green bell pepper, chopped  
 1 medium onion, chopped  
 1 medium tomato, chopped  
 1/2 cup frozen kernel corn  
 1 can (15 oz.) pinto beans, drained, coarsely chopped  
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 1/2 cup (2 oz.) shredded sharp cheddar cheese

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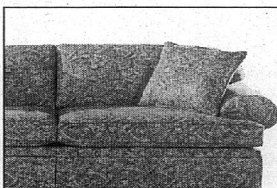
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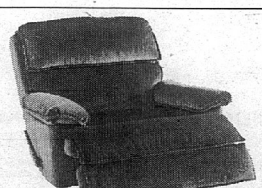
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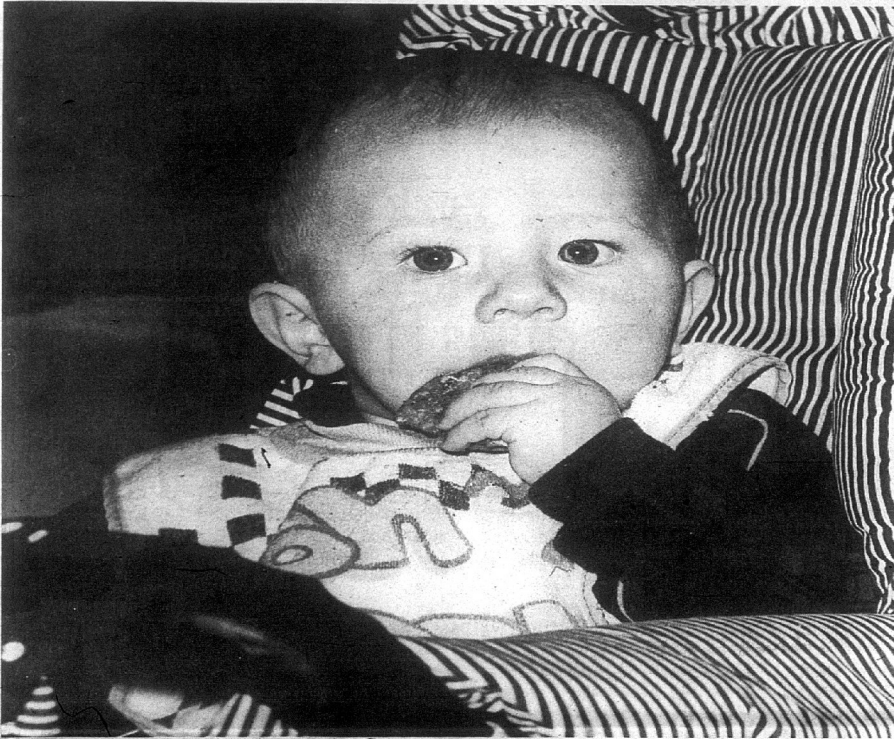
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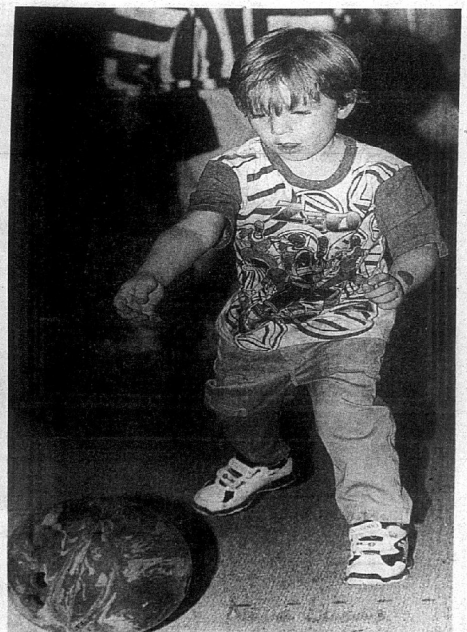
## Food Fest '97 is a real feast for folks



Kevin Edelen, above, owner of Louisiana Jack's in Fairview Heights, ladles some Cajun food into a cup. Anwar Hussain, right, of Belleville cuts a piece of a super long sandwich from Subway Station.



Area restaurants featured samples of their food set up on tables at West.



One-year-old Andrew Karraker, top left, of Fairview Heights nibbles a ravioli at Food Fest '97. Jacob Oliver, top right photo, takes careful aim, and above, lets his shot go. Jacob, 3, was one of many children who took advantage of the opportunity to hone their bowling skills Thursday at Belleville West High School. (It was a rubber ball with plastic pins.) About 30 area restaurants participated in the fest, which was held to benefit the Meet the Need campaign for area high schools.

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14.5-OZ. CAN



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24-PACK, SPRITE  
**Coca-Cola Classic or Diet Coke**

**3/999**  
24/12-OZ. CANS  
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ASSORTED VARIETIES  
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8.5-12.5 OZ. PKG.

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16-OZ. PKG.



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**Pepsi or Diet Pepsi**

ASSORTED VARIETIES  
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14-OZ. BAG

ASSORTED VARIETIES  
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9-OZ. PKG.

FANTASTIC FRUIT OR VARIETY PACK  
**Good Humor Popsicles**..... **3/\$5**  
10-12 PACK

PEANUT BUTTER, PEANUT BUTTER OR MACADAMIA NUT  
**Preferred Selection Cookies**..... **99¢**  
12-OZ. PKG. LIMIT 6

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ASSORTED VARIETIES

**Folgers Coffee**

**5.97**  
36-39 OZ. CAN  
LIMIT 2 WHILE SUPPLIES LAST

**Kellogg's Corn Flakes**..... **2/\$3**  
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**Tropicana Orange Juice**..... **3.89**  
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1 1/2 Dozen  
**Medium Eggs**..... **79¢**  
18-CT. PKG. LIMIT 3



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**Prairie Farms Orange Juice**

**9.99¢**  
HALF GALLON

ASSORTED VARIETIES  
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5-6 CT. PKG.

Shop 'n Save  
**Butter**..... **1.49**  
1-LB. PKG.

PREMIUM GROUND  
Shop 'n Save  
**Coffee**..... **4.99**  
39-OZ. CAN. LIMIT 2

### HOME ESSENTIALS

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30-CT. PKG.  
LIMIT 2 WHILE SUPPLY LASTS

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Icehouse..... 2.99**

16-L/N R/BTL.

**Busch or  
Busch Light.... 5.19**

12/12-OZ. CANS

**High Life..... 9.97**

30/12-OZ. CANS

**Pabst..... 6.97**

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12-N/R BTL.

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750-ML. BTL.

**Canadian  
Mist..... 10.99**

1.75-LTR. BTL.

**Malibu  
Rum..... 8.99**

750-ML. BTL.

GOLD  
**Jose Cuervo  
Tequila..... 11.99**

750-ML. BTL.

**Corona..... 4.99**

6-L/N R/BTL.

**Pete's  
Brews..... 4.69**

6-N/R BTL.

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White Zinfandel... 2/\$5**

750-ML. BTL.

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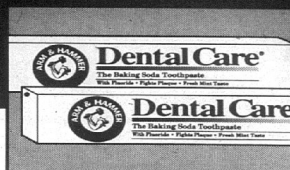
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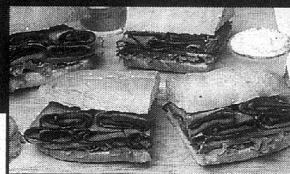
4-OZ. PKG.

AFTER \$2.00 OFF COUPON AVAILABLE IN-STORE  
BRIGHT OR  
**3M Active  
Strips..... 2/\$3**

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12-OZ. SPRAY, SCRUNCH OR  
DETANGLER, 14-OZ. AEROSOL  
SPRAY OR 16-OZ. SHAMPOO  
**Aussie Haircare... 1.99**

## Bakery, Seafood & Deli Dept. VALUES!

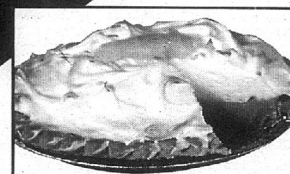
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**Swift  
Roast Beef**

**3.99**

lb.



LEMON, COCONUT OR CHOCOLATE  
**Meringue  
Pies**

**2/\$6**

8-INCH

AMERICAN OR  
MUSTARD STYLE  
**Potato  
Salad..... 99¢**

lb.

**Swift  
Hard Salami.... 3.99**

lb.

FRESH BAKED  
**Rye  
Bread..... 99¢**

16-OZ. PKG.

ALL VARIETIES  
**Lone Star  
Sweet Rolls..... 3.99**

8-CT. PKG.

### LENTEN VALUES!

**Jumbo  
Cod Fillets**

**3.99**

lb.

**Snow Crab  
Clusters..... 2.99**

lb.

26-30 COUNT  
**Large Gulf  
Shrimp**

**5.99**

lb.

WHOLE  
**Channel  
Catfish..... 1.99**

lb.

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REGULAR, LIGHT OR FREE

**Kraft  
Miracle Whip**

**97¢**

32-OZ. JAR

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**Kraft  
Salad Dressings**

**179**

16-OZ. BTL.



REGULAR OR LIGHT

**Kraft Philly  
Cream Cheese**

**77¢**

8-OZ. BRICK



PRE-PRICED \$1.79

**Kraft American  
Singles**

**2/\$3**

12-OZ. PKG.



ASSORTED VARIETIES

**Stove-Top  
Stuffing**

**98¢**

6-8.25 OZ. PKG.

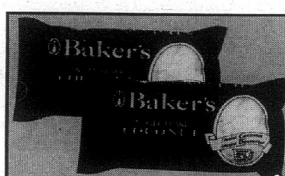


COCOA OR FRUITY PEBBLES

**Post  
Cereal**

**2/\$4**

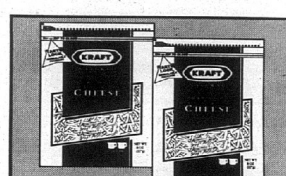
13-OZ. BOX



**Bakers Angel  
Flake Coconut**

**99¢**

14-OZ. BAG

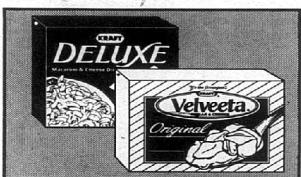


ASSORTED VARIETIES

**Kraft Shredded  
Cheese**

**2/\$3**

8-OZ. PKG.



DELUXE MACARONI DINNER OR  
**Velveeta  
Shells & Cheese**

**2/\$3**

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REGULAR OR LIGHT

**Kraft Velveeta  
Cheese**

**387**

32-OZ. PKG.  
PRE-PRICED \$3.99

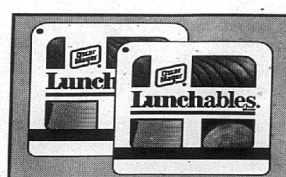


ASSORTED VARIETIES

**Birds Eye  
Cool Whip**

**87¢**

8-OZ. PKG.



ALL VARIETIES

**Oscar Mayer  
Lunchables**

**99¢**

4.5-OZ. PKG.

GRAPE  
**Kraft Jelly  
or Jam..... 99¢**

32-OZ. JAR

ASSORTED VARIETIES  
REGULAR OR SUGAR FREE  
**Jell-O  
Pudding..... 2/\$1**

8-3.4 OZ. PKG.

ASSORTED VARIETIES  
**Jell-O  
Gelatin..... 3/\$1**

3-3 OZ. PKG.

CHOCOLATE SILK PIE OR  
**Jell-O  
Cheesecake 2/\$3**

9.2-11.2 OZ. PKG.

STRAWBERRY, CHERRY OR  
STRAWBERRY SWIRL  
**Jell-O  
Cheesecake..... 1.99**

12.8-21.6 OZ. PKG.

ASSORTED VARIETIES  
GENERAL MILLS, INSTANT  
**International  
Coffee..... 2.95**

1.5-10 OZ. PKG.

**Kraft Grated  
Parmesan..... 2.99**

8-OZ. CAN

REGULAR OR LIGHT  
**Kraft  
Cheese Whiz.... 2.99**

16-18.5 OZ. PKG.



LIGHT N LIVELY  
COTTAGE CHEESE OR  
**Breakstone Free  
Cottage Cheese 1.49**

24-OZ. PKG.



ALL VARIETIES  
**Oscar Mayer  
Sliced Bologna..... 2/\$3**

1-LB. PKG.

LINKS  
**Oscar Mayer  
Pork Sausage.... 2.89**

1-LB.

REGULAR OR PIECES  
**Oscar Mayer  
Bacon Bits..... 1.39**

2-3 OZ. PKG.

REGULAR OR FAT FREE  
**Breakstone  
Sour Cream.... 79¢**

16-OZ. PKG.

PRE-PRICED \$1.79  
**Kraft 2% Milk  
Singles..... 2/\$3**

12-OZ. PKG.

ASSORTED VARIETIES  
**Kraft  
Chunk Cheese 2/\$3**

8-OZ. PKG.

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# TOTAL VALUE

## Save on Easter Dinner!

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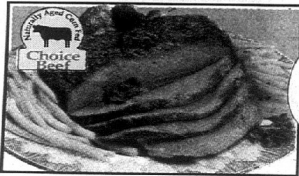


**Mickelberry, Field or  
Kretschmar Whole  
Boneless Ham**

# 137

**lb.**

LIMIT 1 BONELESS HAM ANY VARIETY, WITH \$25.00 ADDITIONAL PURCHASE EXCLUDING HAM & 24-PACK SODA



**USDA CHOICE CORN FED BEEF  
Boneless Bottom  
Round Roast**

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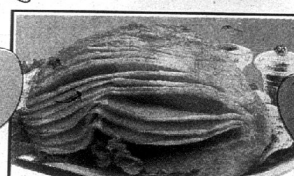
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**FROZEN, 4-7 LB. AVG.  
Pride of the Farm  
Turkey Breast**

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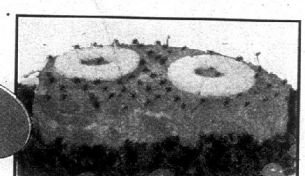
**lb.**



**HONEY OR BROWN SUGAR  
Hillshire Spiral  
Ham Portions**

# 199

**lb.**



**6-7 LB. AVG., FARMLAND  
Maple River Whole  
Boneless Ham**

# 97¢

**lb.**

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**ALL VARIETIES, WAFFER THIN  
Buddig Sliced Meats.... 39¢**  
2.5-OZ. PKG.

**STICKS OR PORTIONS  
Gortons Value Pack Fish..... 299**  
24.5-OZ. PKG.

**R.B. Rice Pork Sausage.... 219**  
1-LB. ROLL

**ALL VARIETIES  
Banquet Fried Chicken..... 299**  
19-25 OZ. PKG.

**COOK'D  
Dan's Prize Prime Rib..... 499**  
lb.

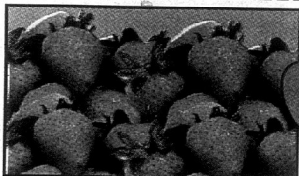
**BROWN N SERVE  
Swift Pork Sausage... 99¢**  
7-OZ. PKG.

**LIMIT 1 BONELESS HAM ANY VARIETY WITH \$25.00 ADDITIONAL PURCHASE EXCLUDING HAM & 24-PACK SODA**

**ALL VARIETIES  
Hillshire Smoked Sausage 199**  
1-LB. PKG.

**PORK, CHICKEN OR BEEF  
Lloyd's Barbecue.... 599**  
2-LB. TUB

**Hunter Sliced Bacon 219**  
1-LB. PKG.



**CALIFORNIA  
Red Ripe  
Strawberries**

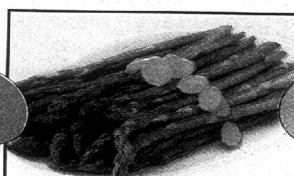
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**1/2 FLAT**

**U.S. NO. 1  
Red or Russet Potatoes..... 188**  
10-LB. BAG

**FRESH  
Green Beans..... 68¢**  
lb.

**Medium  
Yellow Onions.... 78¢**  
3-LB. BAG



**FRESH  
Tender  
Asparagus**

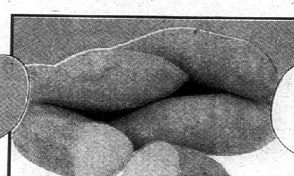
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**lb.**

**Dole Classic Salad Blend..... 198**  
3-LB. BAG

**BROCCOLI WOKLY OR  
Mann's Cauliflower Florets..... 198**  
1-LB. BAG

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& Selection**



**U.S. NO. 1  
Nutritious  
Sweet Potatoes**

# 36¢

**lb.**

**FRESH ONE  
Peeled Baby Carrots..... 188**  
2-LB. PKG.

**REG. OR FAT FREE  
Marzetti's Salad Dressing... 168**  
12-15 OZ. BTL.

**ASSORTED VARIETIES  
Birdseye Vegetable Dip..... 198**  
16-OZ. CTN.



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6-INCH POT

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# AUTOMOTIVE

**Mini Mercedes is cute, quick convertible**



**1997 Mercedes-Benz SLK**

By Tom Strongman

There's a roadster revival in 1997, led by an open-air trio from Germany: the Mercedes-Benz SLK, Porsche Boxster and BMW Z3. Plymouth's Prowler hot rod will join in later this spring.

Mercedes-Benz recently gave journalists a chance to get acquainted with the SLK by tearing around on lightly traveled country roads near Tucson, Ariz. The stubby SLK is a clever redefinition of the roadster concept, distinct from the Porsche or BMW because it has a solid steel roof that folds into the trunk at the push of a button. This Mini-sized two-seater, with a supercharged, four-cylinder engine and five-speed automatic transmission (no manual available), is more like a miniature luxury coupe than a pure sports car. It was selected as the North American Car of the Year.

For \$39,700 it comes so well equipped that only three options are offered: metallic paint, compact disc player, cellular phone, heated seats. Standard equipment includes traction control, anti-lock brakes, dual front and side air bags, heated windshield wipers, dual-zone climate control, AM FM stereo cassette and a unique Baby Smart system that automatically disables the passenger-side front air bag when a Mercedes-Benz rear-facing infant seat is used.

This fall it will be joined by the stunning CLK coupe and the M-Class sport-utility vehicle, and all are targeted at under \$40,000.

The tightly drawn, wedge-shaped silhouette is muscular yet delicate, and details such as the power bulges in the hood and ivory-faced, chrome-trimmed

gauges, are reminiscent of the 190 SL and 300 SL from the 1950s. There are three two-tone interiors that are bright and fun without being gaudy. A more subdued solid charcoal is also available. The fake carbon fiber trim surrounding the center console looks a bit contrived, but it does give a sporty touch.

The SLK's 94.5-inch wheelbase is derived from a shortened C-Class chassis. The fully independent suspension is dual-wishbone in front and a five-link set-up in the rear. Sixteen-inch wheels are standard, and the rear tires are larger than the fronts. The handling is firm and taut and the ride quite comfortable considering the short wheelbase. The roads on which we drove bobbed and weaved across the desert landscape, but never once did the SLK pummel its passengers with a rough ride or unsteady cornering. Quite the contrary. On the interstate it bolted along at a legal 75 mph with the ease of a sedan.

As you would expect with a convertible sports car, we spent most of our day driving with the top stowed in the trunk. With the nylon mesh wind deflector snapped between the dual roll bars and the side windows up, it was quieter than a coupe with the sun roof open. Conversation could be carried on in a normal voice, even at 75 mph.

Lowering the top does not seem to cause any noticeable body or cowl shake, an unusual condition for a convertible. It felt as tight as a drum with new skin when the top was up.

Even with the top folded into the trunk there is enough luggage space for two small bags. With the top up, a couple easily could pack a week's worth of gear.

The cockpit is small but not crowded, and legroom

is a poor way to raise the seat.

In Europe there are three engine choices, but in this country there is only one, the 2.3-liter, supercharged four-cylinder. The supercharger boosts 2,500 rpm to 4,800. Accelerating away from rest feels a bit leisurely unless you mash the throttle, in which case it begins to sing. Passing slower cars and climbing the twisting road up 7,000-foot Kitt Peak was done by manually shifting down a gear or two. The supercharger does a good job of overcoming the lack of oxygen at altitude and fattens up mid-range throttle response.

Road & Track magazine recorded a zero-to-60 mph time of 6.6 seconds, better than the factory's conservative time of 7.2 seconds. It has a top track speed of 140 mph and is rated at 22 mpg in the city, 30 mpg on the highway. Outright performance, however, is not the SLK's ballgame. Instead, it is the way it combines style, grace and fun.

The good news about the SLK is it is a spirited, feisty roadster with rock-solid build quality and charming looks. The bad news is the first year's allotment of 6,000 vehicles already is spoken for, so if you want one it will be at least a year before it can be delivered.

The base price is \$39,700. The cars we drove did not have price stickers yet, but a fully loaded model will be under \$43,000.

The basic warranty is for four years or 50,000 miles. Point: The SLK is cute, quick and tight, more like a small luxury coupe than a no-compromises sports car. The retractable hard top and convertible control make it an all-weather daily driver.

Counterpoint: Knowing you will have to wait at least a year to take delivery may cost some sales. Sports-car purists will lament that no manual transmission is available.

## POINTS & PLUGS

By Rick Stott

Could our gasoline contain more gasoline in years ahead? You might not want to bet yet on it happening, but a bipartisan congressional coalition is proposing to wipe out billions of dollars in "corporate welfare" to help balance the federal budget.

One of the group's targets is a tax credit that encourages the use of ethanol as a gasoline additive. Federal subsidies of ethanol, an alcohol that is primarily derived from corn, is pegged at 54 cents per gallon for a total of \$845 million this year.

All this talk of car manufacturers using advanced, high-tech materials to reduce the weight and assembly cost of new cars—and the average 1997 auto still is built largely of steel and cast iron.

While aluminum and plastic content has increased, 55 percent of a new car's weight consists of steel and 12 percent is iron, according to the trade publication *Automotive News*. Nearly 20 years ago a car was 59 percent steel and 14 percent iron.

The plastic content of a car has increased from 5 percent of total weight to nearly 8 percent, while the aluminum content has grown from 3 percent to nearly 6 percent. The typical automobile or pickup truck had 247 pounds of aluminum in 1996, up from 183 pounds in 1991.

Weight saving and the resulting fuel economy and performance gains are still important to car makers, but competition has driven pricing as important as ever, too. Steel costs a car company 35 cents a pound. Meanwhile, plastic costs up to 59 cents a pound, aluminum 70 cents a pound and magnesium \$1.70 per pound.

They say we're getting older—and a lot of us feel like it, too. But demand for sports cars and hot rods continues to defy the hardening of the arteries that carry blood flow to our accelerator foot. The Plymouth Prowler isn't on the market yet, but it's already said that you probably will buy one. Mercedes-Benz is going nuts trying to figure out how to build more of its small and relatively low-priced SLK roadsters.

Allocations of SLKs for Germany and Japan are booked up to deliveries scheduled in 1999. The company has scheduled shipments of 6,000 cars a year to the U.S., but figures demand could justify 10,000 sales a year. The U.S. sticker price of the car is around \$40,000.

Used cars and pickup trucks accounted for 73 percent of vehicle sales transactions in the U.S. last year, an industry participant reports. ADT Automotive Inc., a wholesale vehicle auctioneer, has figured that 40.8 million of the 59.9 million cars and light trucks sold last year were pre-owned. Sales of those used vehicles totaled \$865 billion.

More of the used vehicles hitting the market were leased. ADT expects 2.9 million cars and trucks will come off-leases this year.

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# Labyrinth leads to vows

Kary Harkin and David Stickney walked a winding path from a beach house in Fairfield, Conn., meeting each other and sharing their wedding promises in the midst of a gathering of 70 guests.

Then, the newly united couple retraced their steps as the sun set over Long Island Sound.

It's not as New Age as it may sound; the Stickneys were approximating a centuries-old spiritual ceremony of following pavement labyrinths in cathedrals, a symbolic pilgrimage to the Holy Land.

Though most couples take an unswerving march down the aisle, some, like the Stickneys, have plotted a more circuitous route—perhaps echoing the course of intimate relationships.

The practice started in the Middle Ages when the Crusade was prevented ordinary religious pilgrims from making a literal trip to the Holy Land. A pilgrimage was symbolized by serpentine lanes laid out around the floor of cathedrals and churches of the period.

Typically, the designs were a series of 11 (or sometimes seven) concentric pathways with a petal-shaped center. They led the traveler through many turns but to no dead ends; all had only one path which led first into a center "chamber," then out again.

Labyrinth paths are now found in canvas form at the Stickneys' church, the First Presbyterian Church in New Canaan, Conn., created by a group called the Labyrinth Project of Connecticut.

The bride's parents were involved in the group, and the

groom's parents also were in a local meditation group.

Stickney recalls his first experiences with the labyrinth. "On one of the early walks, I was just sitting and meditating inside the labyrinth. For a moment Kary was standing alone at the center. I knew right then that that was where I wanted to marry her."

Labyrinths of this sort were brought to the United States in the mid-1800s by the Rev. Lauren Artress, canon for special ministries at Grace Cathedral in San Francisco.

Inspired by the Chartres example, Artress oversaw construction of two permanent labyrinths at Grace and described the tradition in a book, "Walking a Sacred Path" (Riverhead Books, \$11).

For the past few years, Artress has taken her ministry on the road on weekends, traveling around the country with the canvas labyrinth.

It was during one of those "seed trips," as Artress calls them, that gave rise to the Connecticut project.

Harkin and Stickney say that even before they made any permanent plans for the future, each individually was considering both marriage and a labyrinth wedding.

But after they agreed, considering both marriage and a labyrinth wedding. They led the problem solver stand in the way of a 40-foot-square canvas, one of two at the site.

One of the things we definitely wanted to walk into the labyrinth single and separate and walk out side by side," says Harkin. "But the path on the original labyrinth isn't big enough."

So Helen Curry, executive director of the Connecticut project, stepped in.

Helen designed a third

pattern," says Stickney.

"I used a computer to transfer the pattern to a 36-foot by 36-foot canvas." Stickney's parents funded purchase of the materials, and the couple, both graphic designers, helped print the pattern.

The finished piece was ultimately donated to the project.

At the wedding in May, 1995, the bride and groom each made their way around the three-circuit pattern into the center.

"Our friends read meaningful passages," says Harkin. "My best friend read from 'The Velveteen Rabbit.'"

It was really hard for me, because I wanted to backtrack around the labyrinth and hug her."

"I realized I was walking away from my single life, but I had to go on and meet up with David. The symbolism was really moving, and I wanted to cry."

Waiting for her at the center was the groom, about to recite a ring ceremony he had written.

"What I liked best is that with the guests surrounding the labyrinth, we could see everyone, and everyone could see us," Stickney says.

The pair made their way from the center to make the circuit around the path to the opening, where Curry, an ordained non-denominational minister, was waiting to administer the wedding vows.

Then the canvases were rolled up and stored so there would be room for eating, dancing and celebration.

"Our friends said it was the best wedding ever," Harkin says.

— Associated Press

## Couple marries at family reunion

Weddings are usually a supreme moment of family togetherness. Patricia Miller and Nate Molden discovered that a wedding can be even better when combined with another powerful family ritual: the family reunion.

Miller, 55, and Molden, 59, were married in a surprise ceremony before 200 family members last July at the Starling-Wilbourn family reunion in Chicago.

The family, to which Molden belongs, originated in Georgia but has spread throughout the country. Reunions have been held every other year in cities around the country for the past 25 years.

Besides being a warm and loving occasion for cementing family ties, this reunion wedding was appropriate for another reason: from the moment they met about four years ago in a park in Warren, Ohio, the couple has included their families in their life.

Miller, who lived and worked in Denver as an administration coordinator for a computer sales company, was out for a stroll with her 5-year-old granddaughter when Molden, an industrial engineer who lived in Warren, struck up a conversation.

"He seemed like a nice per-

son, so I invited him to my granddaughter's birthday party," recalls Pat Molden, who later discovered that Molden and her son-in-law knew each other. She converted Molden's subsequent dinner invitation into a picnic with her family.

Nevertheless, romance blossomed between the two, and by last spring, a wedding was in the offing.

Pat Molden was envisioning a quiet ceremony in front of close family only. "At this stage of my life, I couldn't begin to want to go through the hassle of planning a major event," she says.

But Nate Molden was hoping to be wed in front of as much of his large, scattered family as possible.

Their inspiration was to realize that the wedding might be arranged for the family reunion in July. Not only would most of his family be at the reunion, but the arrangements for a catered dinner on Saturday evening, a band, and decorations for the tables were already being made. There even was a minister—a family member—who would be there to give the opening blessing.

"Nate called me on the phone to ask me what I thought," recalls John Molden

of Chicago, Nate's brother and the person in charge of planning for the reunion. "He said they wanted to get married in front of the family and asked me what I thought about the wedding response was 'yes.'"

John Molden put them in touch with Joel Taylor, the minister at St. Paul Missionary Baptist Church on Chicago's south side, who would be giving the invocation at the reunion.

The couple decided to keep the wedding a secret from everyone except John Molden, his wife and the minister. "We felt by making it a surprise, people wouldn't feel they needed to bring gifts. Also, we didn't want to take away from the rest of the reunion activities," Pat Molden says. Eventually, the couple took Pat's two grown daughters into their confidence to assure their presence.

The couple arrived in Chicago on Thursday and quietly stole away on Friday to pick up the license.

The printed program gave nothing away. The wedding was listed as a "special event" and the convocation and the meal.

— Associated Press

## Movie schedules

Film timetable for Wednesday, March 26. For times on other days or to confirm these times, check local theaters.

**CARMIKE PETITE**  
1-70 and Hwy. 157, Collinsville, 344-7088  
Vegas Vacation (PG) 4:30, 7:00, 9:30  
Return Of The Jedi (PG) 8:30, 9:15  
Private Parts (R) 7:00, 9:30

**COTTONWOOD**  
EDWARDSVILLE, ILL.  
Liar Liar (PG-13) 5:00, 7:30, 9:50  
Vegas Vacation (PG) 4:30, 7:00, 9:30  
Jungle 2 Jungle (PG) 4:00, 6:45, 9:15

**LOCOLN THEATER**  
103 S. Main (Belleville), 333-0123  
Michael (PG) 7:15, 9:30  
Beavis & Butt-Head Do America (PG-13) 7:00, 9:30  
101 Dalmatians (G) 7:00  
First Strike (PG-13) 9:15

**NAMEOKI CINEMA**  
30 Nameoki Village, 877-8630  
Return Of The Jedi (PG) 4:15, 7:45, 10:15  
Dante's Peak (PG) 7:15, 9:30

**O'FALLON 15 CINE**  
1320 Central Park Dr., O'Fallon, Ill., 822-3626  
Liar Liar (PG-13) 1:00, 3:00, 5:00, 7:40, 9:50  
Liar Liar (PG-13) 2:15, 4:35, 7:10, 9:30  
Private Parts (R) 1:10, 4:20, 7:00, 9:30  
Sling Blade (R) 2:00, 5:00, 8:00  
Return Of The Jedi (PG) 1:30, 4:15, 7:45, 10:15  
Return Of The Jedi (PG) 2:40, 5:20, 8:00  
Dante's Peak (PG-13) 2:25, 5:15, 7:45  
Return Of The Jedi (PG) 4:00, 7:00, 9:30  
Cats Don't Dance (G) 1:30, 3:15, 4:45, 7:10, 9:30  
Jerry Maguire (R) 1:00, 4:00, 7:00, 9:30  
Absolute Power (R) 1:00, 4:15, 7:15, 9:55  
Jungle 2 Jungle (PG) 2:20, 4:35, 7:10, 9:30  
The Empire Strikes Back (PG) 2:40, 5:10, 7:40, 10:10  
Star Wars (PG) 2:40, 5:20, 8:10  
Shine (PG-13) 2:35, 4:40, 7:30, 9:50  
Donnie Brasco (R) 2:30, 4:40, 7:20, 9:55

**QUAD CINEMA**  
Belleville, Ill.  
Liar Liar (PG-13) 5:00, 7:30, 9:45  
The Empire Strikes Back (PG) 4:15, 7:15, 10:00  
Jungle 2 Jungle (PG) 4:30, 6:45, 9:15  
Return Of The Jedi (PG) 4:00, 7:00, 9:30

**RITZ 3 THEATER**  
415 S. Main St., Belleville, 233-3538  
101 Dalmatians (G) 6:45, 9:20  
Beavis & Butt-Head Do America (PG-13) 7:00, 9:30  
Michael (PG) 7:00, 9:30

**ROYALTY THEATRE**  
Roxana, Ill., 254-6746  
Return Of The Jedi (PG) 7:00

**ST. CLAIR 10**  
50 Ludwig Ferry, 388-8383  
Return Of The Jedi (PG) 7:00, 9:30  
Love Jones (R) 1:10, 5:00, 7:35, 9:50  
Devil's Own (R) 1:05, 4:10, 7:10, 9:30  
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Booby Call (R) 2:10, 4:05, 7:15, 9:00  
Fools Rush In (PG-13) 1:40, 4:30, 7:20, 10:10  
Selena (PG) 1:15, 4:00, 7:00, 9:40  
Vegas Vacation (PG) 1:40, 4:45, 7:30, 9:35  
The English Patient (R) 1:30, 4:40, 8:30  
Screen 7 (PG) 1:30, 4:15, 7:05, 9:35

**ALTON CINE**  
2640 Chell, 462-1131  
Private Parts (R) 5:00, 7:25, 9:50  
Liar Liar (PG-13) 4:30, 7:15, 9:30

**AVOLON**  
4225 S. Kingshighway, 352-2424  
Return Of The Jedi (PG) 4:30, 7:00, 9:30  
Michael (PG) 9:20

**CHESTERFIELD**  
595 Chesterfield Mall, 532-0155  
Private Parts (R) 12:00, 2:30, 5:00, 7:25, 9:50  
Cats Don't Dance (G) 1:00, 3:00, 5:15, 7:10, 9:00  
Selena (PG) 1:30, 4:30, 7:15, 10:00  
Absolute Power (R) 1:45, 4:45, 7:20, 9:55

**CLARKSON 6 CINE**  
1195 Oakwood, 822-4900  
Return Of The Jedi (PG) 11:30, 2:15, 5:00, 7:45, 10:30  
Liar Liar (PG-13) 11:50, 2:10, 4:30, 7:10, 9:30  
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**CRESTWOOD PLAZA 10**  
248 Crestwood Plaza, 585-8500  
The Empire Strikes Back (PG) 1:30, 5:40, 8:20  
Love Jones (R) 2:15, 5:40, 8:00  
That Darn Cat (PG) 1:15, 3:15, 5:15, 7:15, 9:15  
Screen (R) 5:55, 8:25  
Absolute Power (R) 1:45, 5:35, 8:10  
Donnie Brasco (R) 2:05, 5:30, 8:05

**CREVE COEUR CINE**  
10570 Old Olive Street Road, 822-4900  
Liar Liar (PG-13) 1:15, 4:45, 8:00  
Devil's Own (R) 1:30, 4:30, 7:00, 9:40  
Liar Liar (PG-13) 1:00, 3:00, 5:05, 7:15, 9:30

**CROSS KEYS CINEMA**  
110 Cross Keys Shopping Center, 822-4900  
Lindbergh & Newt's Flyer, 821-8899  
101 Dalmatians (G) 12:20, 4:30, 7:00  
Beavis & Butt-Head Do America (PG-13) 2:45, 9:15  
Michael (PG) 12:15, 4:35, 6:45  
The Preacher's Wife (PG) 2:15, 8:45

**DES PERES 14 CINE**  
Manchester 6, 822-4900  
Selena (PG) 12:45, 4:30, 7:10, 9:55  
Private Parts (R) 12:50, 4:55, 7:15, 9:35  
Jungle 2 Jungle (PG) 1:00, 4:50  
Absolute Power (R) 7:00, 9:30  
Cats Don't Dance (G) 12:15, 2:00, 4:50, 7:00, 9:00  
The Empire Strikes Back (PG) 12:00, 4:30, 7:00, 9:30  
Liar Liar (PG-13) 12:20, 4:30, 7:00, 9:30  
Return Of The Jedi (PG) 12:30, 4:00, 7:00, 9:55

**EASTGATE CINE**  
Eastgate Plaza, E. Alton, 254-6288  
Liar Liar (PG-13) 5:15, 7:30, 9:55  
The English Patient (R) 4:45, 8:00  
Jungle 2 Jungle (PG) 4:15, 6:45  
Donnie Brasco (R) 5:00, 7:45  
The Empire Strikes Back (PG) 4:30, 7:15, 9:30  
Return Of The Jedi (PG) 4:00, 7:00, 9:30

**ESQUIRE CINE**  
6782 Clay Road, 781-3300  
Return Of The Jedi (PG) 4:00  
Absolute Power (R) 7:00  
Jerry Maguire (R) 1:00  
The Empire Strikes Back (PG) 1:30  
Liar Liar (PG-13) 1:20, 4:30, 7:00, 9:30  
Jungle 2 Jungle (PG) Check theater for times

**EUREKA 6 CINE**  
59 Hilltop Village Center, 822-4900  
Liar Liar (PG-13) 12:55, 3:05, 5:05, 7:45, 10:10  
Devil's Own (R) 1:15, 4:40, 7:20, 10:00  
Selena (PG) 1:20, 4:30, 7:10, 9:55  
Return Of The Jedi (PG) 1:00, 4:35, 7:10, 9:30  
Private Parts (R) 1:10, 4:45, 7:25, 9:45  
Jungle 2 Jungle (PG) 12:45, 3:00, 5:15, 7:40, 10:05

**GALLERIA 6**  
30 St. Louis Galleria, 721-8722  
Donnie Brasco (R) 1:00  
Love Jones (R) 1:15, 4:45, 7:15, 9:45  
Marvin's Room (PG-13)  
Selena (PG) 1:15, 4:45, 7:15, 9:45  
City of Industry (R) 1:15, 4:45, 7:15, 9:45  
Private Parts (R) Check theater for times

**HALLS FERRY 14 CINE**  
2600 Target Drive, 822-4900  
Jungle 2 Jungle (PG) 12:20, 2:35, 4:50, 7:15, 9:40  
Liar Liar (PG-13) 12:35, 2:40, 4:45, 7:10, 9:15  
Return Of The Jedi (PG) 1:15, 4:10, 7:05, 9:55  
The Empire Strikes Back (PG) 1:45, 4:30, 7:20, 10:00  
Absolute Power (R) 1:35, 4:15, 7:00, 9:40  
Selena (PG) 1:20, 4:15, 7:00, 9:50  
Love Jones (R) 12:25, 2:45, 5:05, 7:50, 10:10  
Love Jones (R) 1:25, 4:05, 7:05, 9:35  
Donnie Brasco (R) 1:10, 4:20, 7:10, 9:35  
Rosewood (R) 1:20, 4:40, 7:45, 10:10  
Private Parts (R) 1:50, 4:25, 7:25, 9:55  
Booby Call (R) 1:15, 3:10, 5:20, 7:30, 9:30  
Devil's Own (R) 12:00, 2:30, 5:00, 7:30, 10:05  
Cats Don't Dance (G) 1:30, 3:30, 5:30, 7:25, 9:20

**KELLER PLAZA 8 CINE**  
Lemay Ferry & Mehl Avenue, 822-4900  
101 Dalmatians (G) 2:35, 5:10, 7:45, 10:15  
The Empire Strikes Back (PG) 2:05, 4:30, 7:00, 9:30  
Cats Don't Dance (G) 1:45, 3:35, 5:25, 7:40, 9:30  
That Darn Cat (PG) 1:30, 3:30, 5:30  
The English Patient (R) 7:45  
Jerry Maguire (R) 1:45, 4:15, 7:10, 10:00  
Star Wars (PG) 2:15, 4:50, 7:25, 10:00  
Donnie Brasco (R) 2:10, 4:50, 7:35, 10:10  
Dante's Peak (PG-13) 2:25, 4:45, 7:15, 9:30

**KENRICK 6 CINE**  
7555 Watson, 822-4900  
Liar Liar (PG-13) 12:30, 2:50, 5:20, 7:40, 10:00  
Return Of The Jedi (PG) 1:00, 4:05, 7:10, 10:00  
Shine (PG-13) 1:15, 5:15, 7:40, 10:10  
Selena (PG) 1:15, 4:10, 7:10, 9:55  
Sling Blade (R) 12:45, 4:05, 7:00, 9:50  
Devil's Own (R) 1:30, 4:40, 7:15, 9:35

Jerry Maguire (R) 2:00, 5:50, 8:30  
City of Industry (R) 2:10, 5:45, 8:00  
Rosewood (R) 1:30, 5:30, 8:30  
Secrets and Lies (R) 1:40, 5:50, 8:20  
The English Patient (R) 1:30, 5:00, 8:15

**PRIVATE PARTS (R)** 1:40, 5:30, 8:00, 10:15  
Jungle 2 Jungle (PG) 12:00, 2:30, 4:55, 7:20, 9:45

**KIRKWOOD CINEMA**  
338 S. Kirkwood Road, 965-1811  
Sling Blade (R) 3:15, 6:05, 8:45  
Shine (PG-13) 3:30, 6:35  
The English Patient (R) 5:30

**LINDBERGH 8**  
7445 S. Lindbergh, 487-0017  
101 Dalmatians (G) 1:35, 4:55, 7:40, 9:55  
Space Jam (PG) 1:00, 3:00, 5:00, 7:00, 9:15  
Beavis & Butt-Head Do America (PG-13) 1:00, 3:55, 6:05, 7:15, 9:30  
Return Of The Jedi (PG) 12:00, 2:30, 4:55, 7:20, 9:50  
The Mirror Has Two Faces (PG-13) 1:30, 4:45, 7:30, 10:05  
Ransom (R) 1:05, 4:35, 7:10, 9:45  
One Fine Day (PG) 1:15, 4:40, 7:05, 9:20  
Michael (PG) 1:00, 3:05, 5:15, 7:30, 9:45

**MID RIVERS MALL**  
1220 Mid Rivers Dr., 278-2779  
The Empire Strikes Back (PG) 12:45, 4:30, 7:00, 9:30  
Liar Liar (PG-13) 12:30, 5:45, 7:45  
Selena (PG) 12:40, 5:15, 7:50  
Jungle 2 Jungle (PG) 12:00, 5:00, 7:30  
Devil's Own (R) 12:15, 5:30, 7:50  
Return Of The Jedi (PG) 12:00, 5:20, 8:00

**NORTHWEST PLAZA 9**  
Northwest Plaza Mall, 822-4900  
Cats Don't Dance (G) 12:00, 2:15, 4:45, 7:00, 9:00  
The Empire Strikes Back (PG) 11:30, 2:15, 5:10, 7:40, 10:05  
Return Of The Jedi (PG) 11:15, 2:05, 5:00, 7:45, 10:20  
The Mirror Has Two Faces (PG) 12:00, 2:30, 5:00, 7:40, 10:10  
Donnie Brasco (R) 12:00, 4:30, 7:00  
Star Wars (PG) 11:15, 2:00, 4:45, 7:15, 9:30

**NORTHWEST SQUARE 10**  
1115 St. Charles Rock Road, 281-0055  
Crash (R)  
Booby Call (R)  
Fools Rush In (PG-13)  
Jungle 2 Jungle (PG-13)  
Marvin's Room (PG-13)  
Selena (PG)  
Sling Blade (R)  
Vegas Vacation (PG)  
Donnie Brasco (R)  
Jerry Maguire (R)  
The English Patient (R) Check theater for times

**PLAZA CINE 4**  
Troy, Mo., 528-2070  
Liar Liar (PG-13) 4:30, 7:00  
Return Of The Jedi (PG) 4:30, 7:00  
Devil's Own (R) 4:30, 7:15  
Devil's Own (R) 4:30, 7:15

**REGENCY SQUARE 8**  
1085 Regency Parkway, 948-0000  
Sling Blade (R)  
Absolute Power (R)  
Jungle 2 Jungle (PG)  
Liar Liar (PG-13)  
Love Jones (R)  
Return Of The Jedi (PG)  
The English Patient (R) Check theater for times

**RONNIE'S 8 CINE**  
Lindbergh & Baptist Church Road, 822-4900  
Fools Rush In (PG-13) 12:00, 2:30, 4:40, 7:10, 9:30  
Jungle 2 Jungle (PG) 12:00, 2:30, 5:15, 7:40, 9:40  
Vegas Vacation (PG) 12:20, 2:40, 4:50, 7:10, 9:30  
Devil's Own (R) 11:50, 2:20, 4:50, 7:20, 9:50  
Selena (PG) 12:40, 4:10, 7:00, 9:50  
Liar Liar (PG-13) 12:30, 3:00, 5:20, 7:30, 9:30  
Private Parts (R) 12:10, 2:40, 4:30, 7:00, 9:30  
Return Of The Jedi (PG) 11:10, 4:30, 7:20, 10:10

**ST. ANDREWS CINEMA**  
2025 Gateway Drive, 947-1133  
101 Dalmatians (G) 4:30, 7:00  
Michael (PG) 8:20

**ST. CHARLES 10 CINE**  
Hwy. 94 at Prairie Road, 822-4900  
Private Parts (R) 5:50, 8:20  
Devil's Own (R) 5:40, 8:10  
Selena (PG) 5:05, 7:50  
Jungle 2 Jungle (PG) 5:30, 8:00  
Return Of The Jedi (PG) 5:10, 7:40  
The Empire Strikes Back (PG) 5:00, 7:30, 9:30

**SHADY OAK CINE**  
Forsyth and Hanley Road, 727-2319  
The English Patient (R) 5:00, 8:30

**VILLAGE SQUARE**  
100 Village Square Shopping Center, 885-1050  
Check theater for shows and times

**WESTPORT**  
810 Westport Plaza, 822-4900  
Cliffhanger (R) 5:30, 7:30  
City of Industry (R) 4:50  
Hamlet (PG-13) 7:00

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## Simple is the word with dresses

Ask people what they remember most about the Carolyn Bessette-John Kennedy wedding last season and odds are it will be The Dress—the dramatically simple slip gown of silk crepe, silk tulle veil and long gloves.

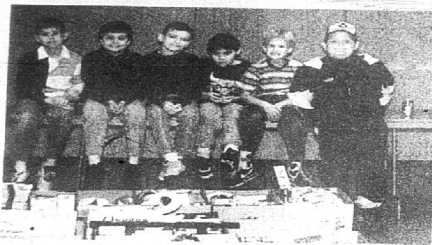
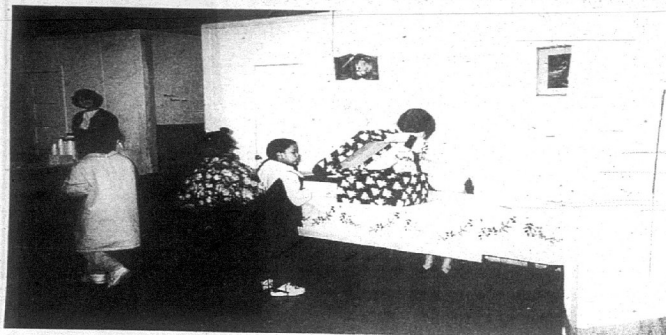
Simple silhouettes like that one are fashionably current, wearable, and particularly easy to sew. The Sewing Fashion Council, an industry group. Other uncluttered shapes are in vogue and high-waisted Empire styles. Made with a luxurious fabric with fine detailing, the result can be spectacular, the council says.

It also will be highly individual and cost-efficient, whether made by the bride-to-be, a relative or friend, or a local dress maker.

Get ideas about the best style for you by visiting stores, looking through the bridal magazines, or checking out pattern catalogs at fabric and sewing centers, the council advises.



## NEWS



**Food collection** — From left to right at bottom left photo are Phillip Rodgers, Clinton Mueller, Joshua Uhls, Juan Castillo, Joshua Nicholson and R.J. Barrios from Pack 15, Den 2, with some of the food they collected during the Scouting for Food drive on Nov. 16. The pack collected 4,047 items that were donated to Protestant Welfare, Salvation Army and Four Square Chapel.

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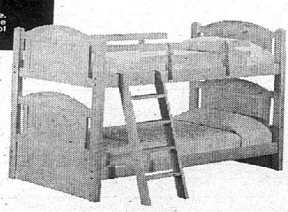
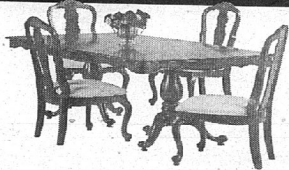
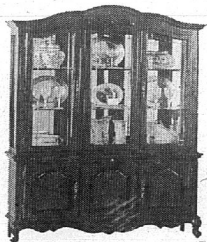
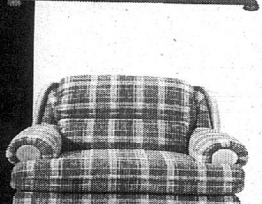
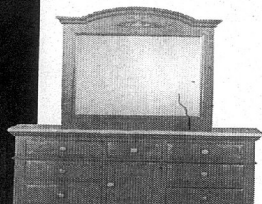
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### Former Granite City woman wins several beauty pageant titles

Laura Flinn Baechtel, a dual resident of Hawaii and California, was crowned "Ms. Hawaii United States of America" last year and recently represented Hawaii in the 1997 Ms. United States of America Pageant in Reno, Nev. She is a former resident of Granite City and has a very special place in her heart for Granite City. She is the daughter of Shirley Flinn and the late Charles Flinn, both former Granite City residents. In 1996 Laura held the titles of Ms. Hawaii, Petite International, Ms. Hawaii USA Petite, Ms. San Diego South Cities, Universal Miss Pageants California State Mrs., Miss Elegant Image USA (a national title), Miss California Jewel, American Dream Calendar Girl world finalist, Mrs. Hawaii — United Nations, Miss Hawaiian Tropic — Fontana, Calif., and was awarded the special title of Jewel Producer.



Laura Baechtel

tions spokesmodel for life. Laura also will be representing California as California's Royal Parent in the National Extra-Vaganza in New York City this spring.

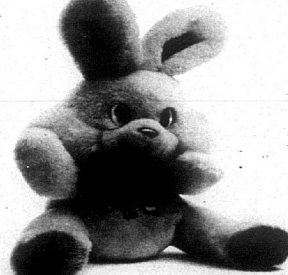
She is a model, actress and singer and has done magazine work. She has film credits and television credits and holds a bachelor of arts degree in communications.

### Playhouse hosting 'Our American Cousin'

The Looking Glass Playhouse will be hosting two presentations of "Our American Cousin" in conjunction with McKendree College Civil War Encampment. The encampment will be held April 11, 12 and 13 with performances of "Our American Cousin" scheduled at 7 p.m. April 11 and at 2 p.m. April 12. President and Mrs. Lincoln impersonators, Mr. and James Boatright of Mascoutah, will present a number of "Lincoln Sketches" prior to the play. "Our American Cousin" is a historical and humorous British play. Some of the conventions and activities associated with the play will be unfamiliar to a contemporary audience, therefore the play will be preceded by some explanatory comments.

Both the performance of the play and the Civil War Encampment are being held in celebration of the history of McKendree College. Tickets for the play are \$5 each and will only be available at the door. For more information call Tom Sparhawk at 618-537-6899.

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true meaning of Easter  
gotten a little fuzzy?**



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